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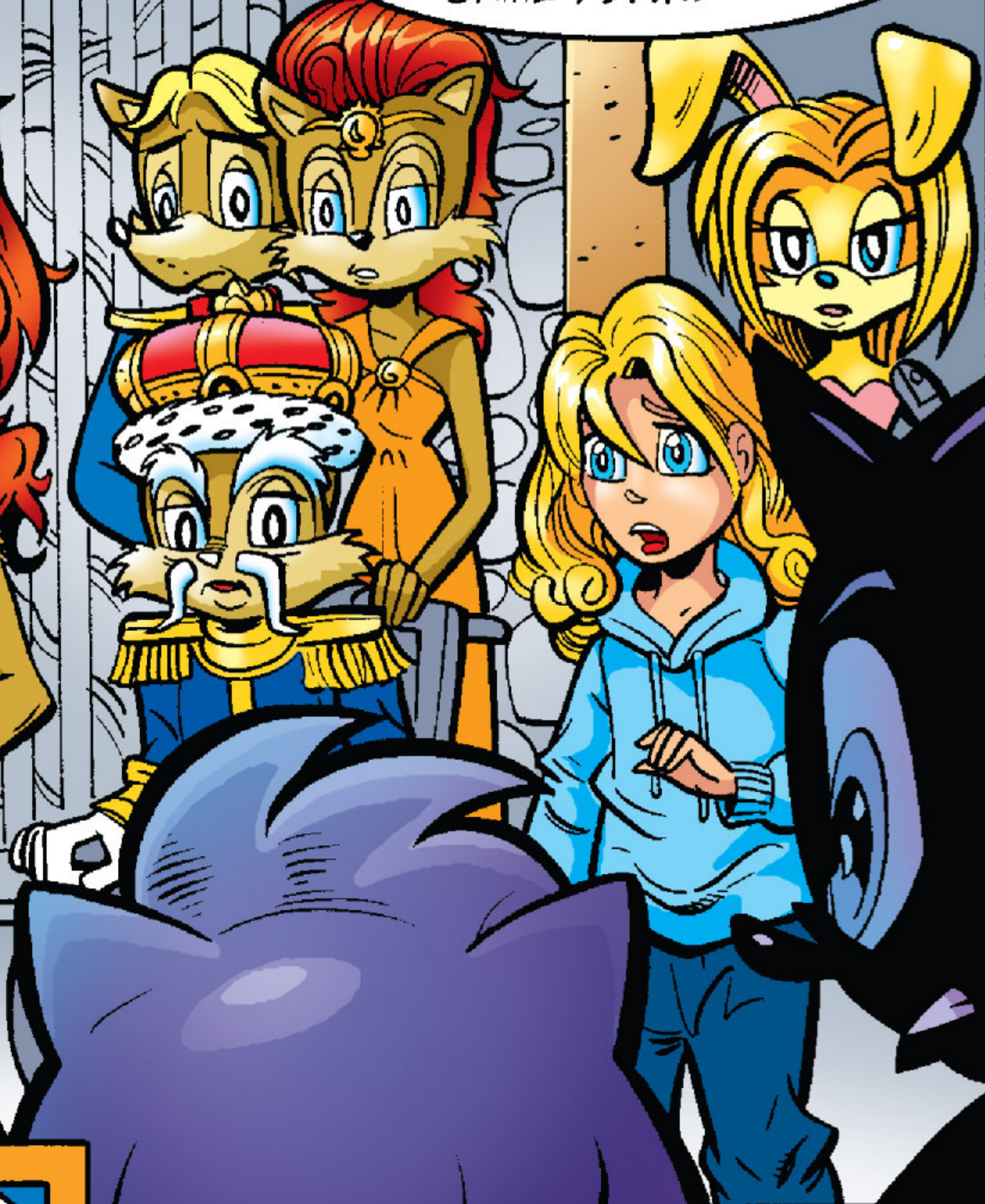
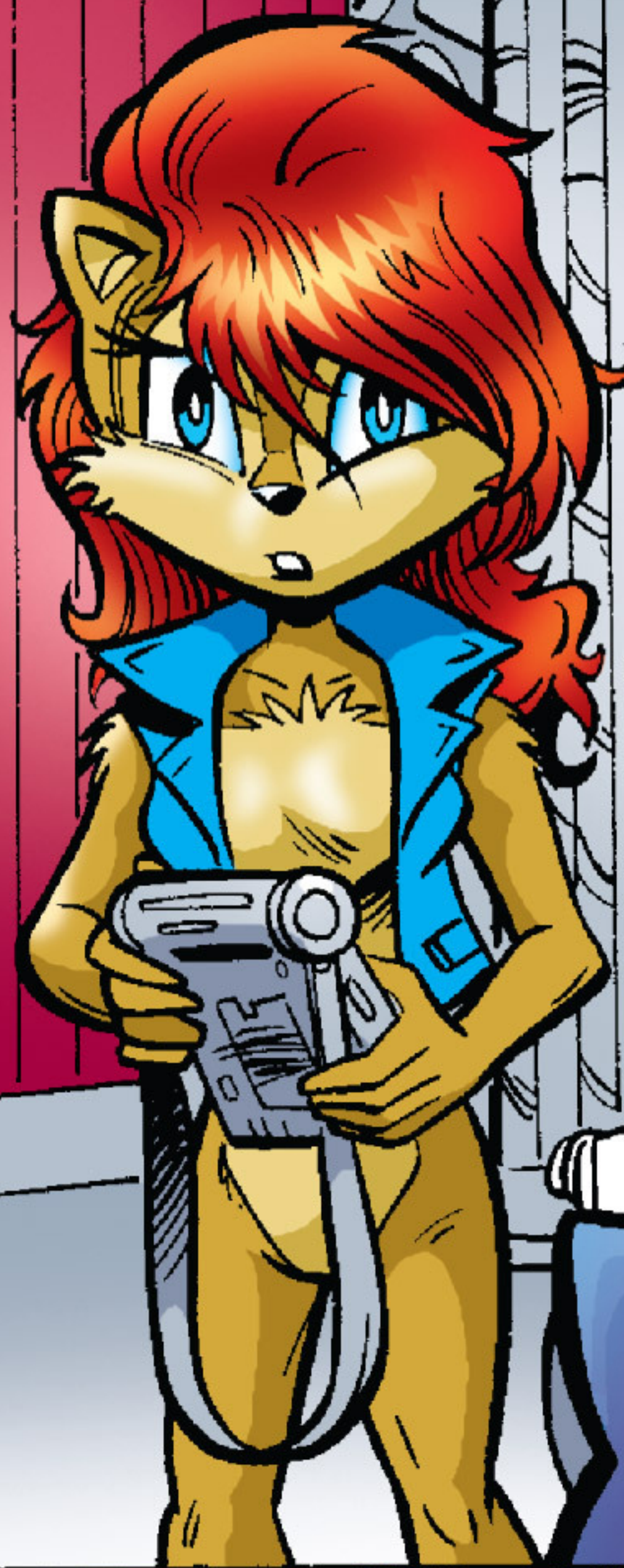
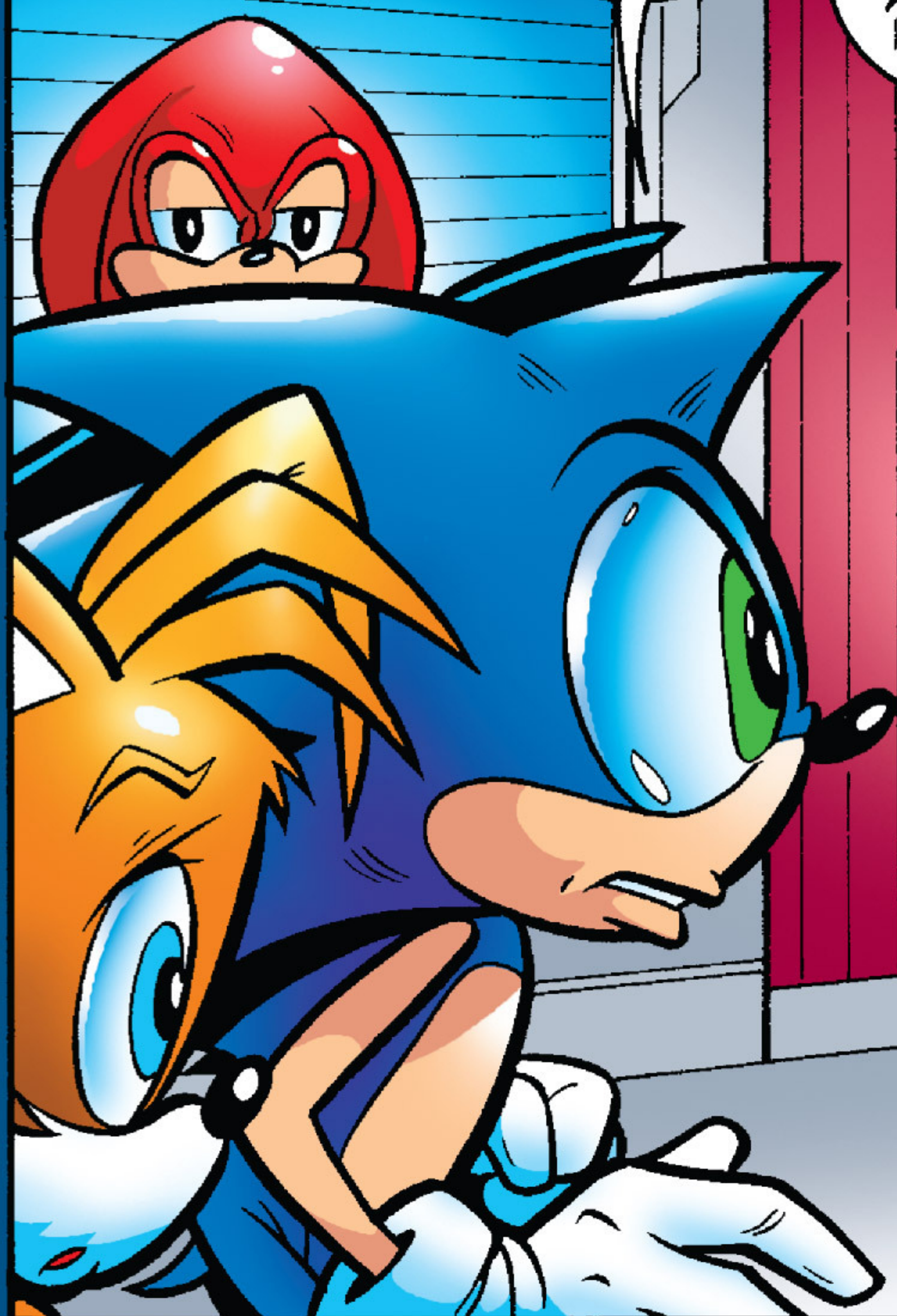
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CASTLE  
ACORN.

RUN  
THAT BY US  
AGAIN,  
SAL...

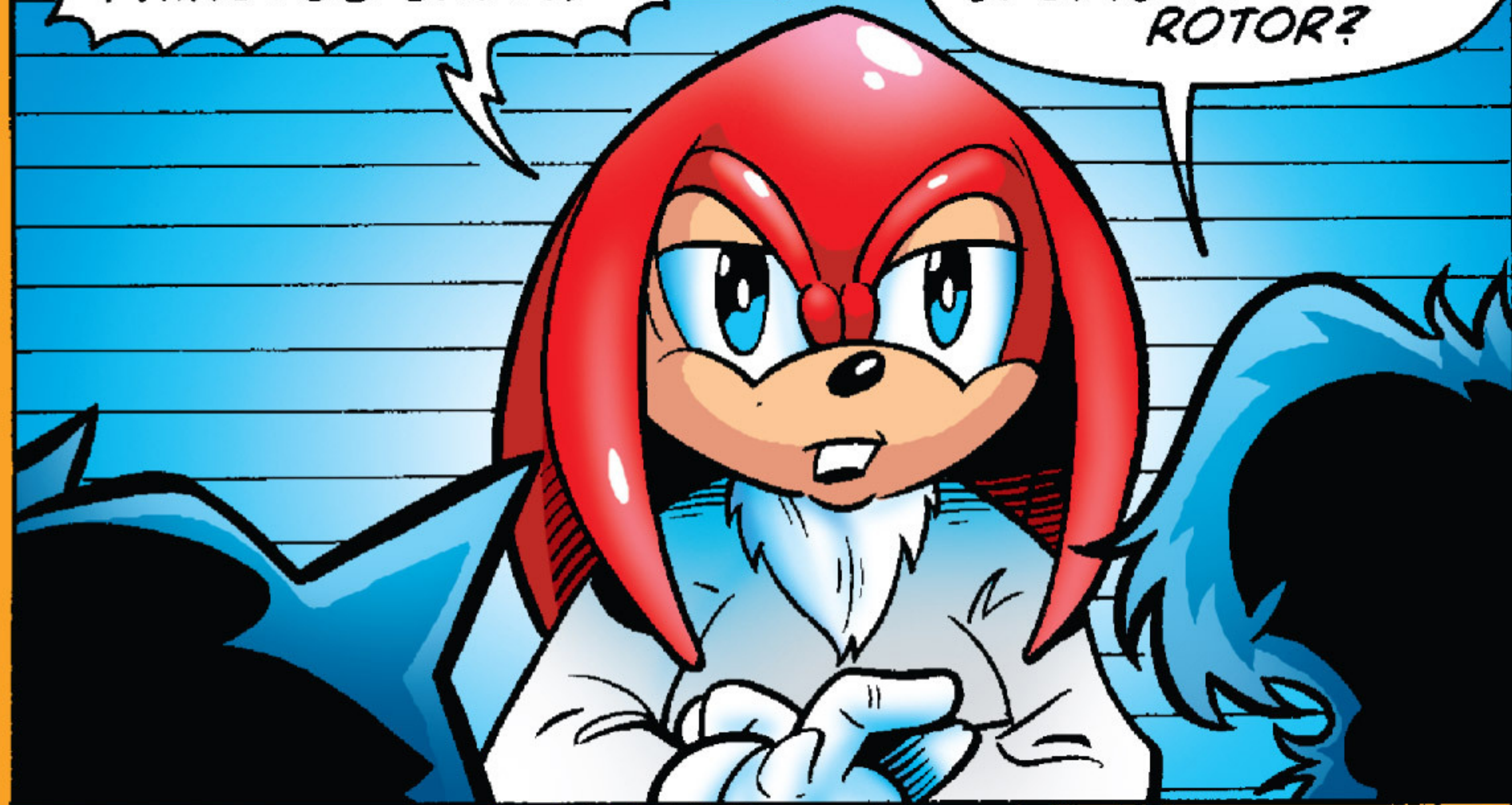
NICOLE AND I  
LEARNED THAT THE **ATTACK**  
DATES DURING WHICH THE ALIEN  
**XORDA** CLAIMED TO HAVE  
WIPE OUT ALL OF PLANET EARTH'S  
**CIVILIZATIONS...**

...ROUGHLY  
**CORRESPOND** TO THE  
LEGENDARY **DAYS OF FURY**  
HERE ON **MOBIUS**, WHICH  
MEANS THERE'S A NINETY-NINE  
PERCENT **CHANCE** THAT  
MOBIUS AND EARTH ARE THE  
SAME PLANET!



THE COMPUTER  
NETWORK HERE AT **HAVEN**  
HAS REACHED THE EXACT  
SAME CONCLUSION,  
PRINCESS SALLY.

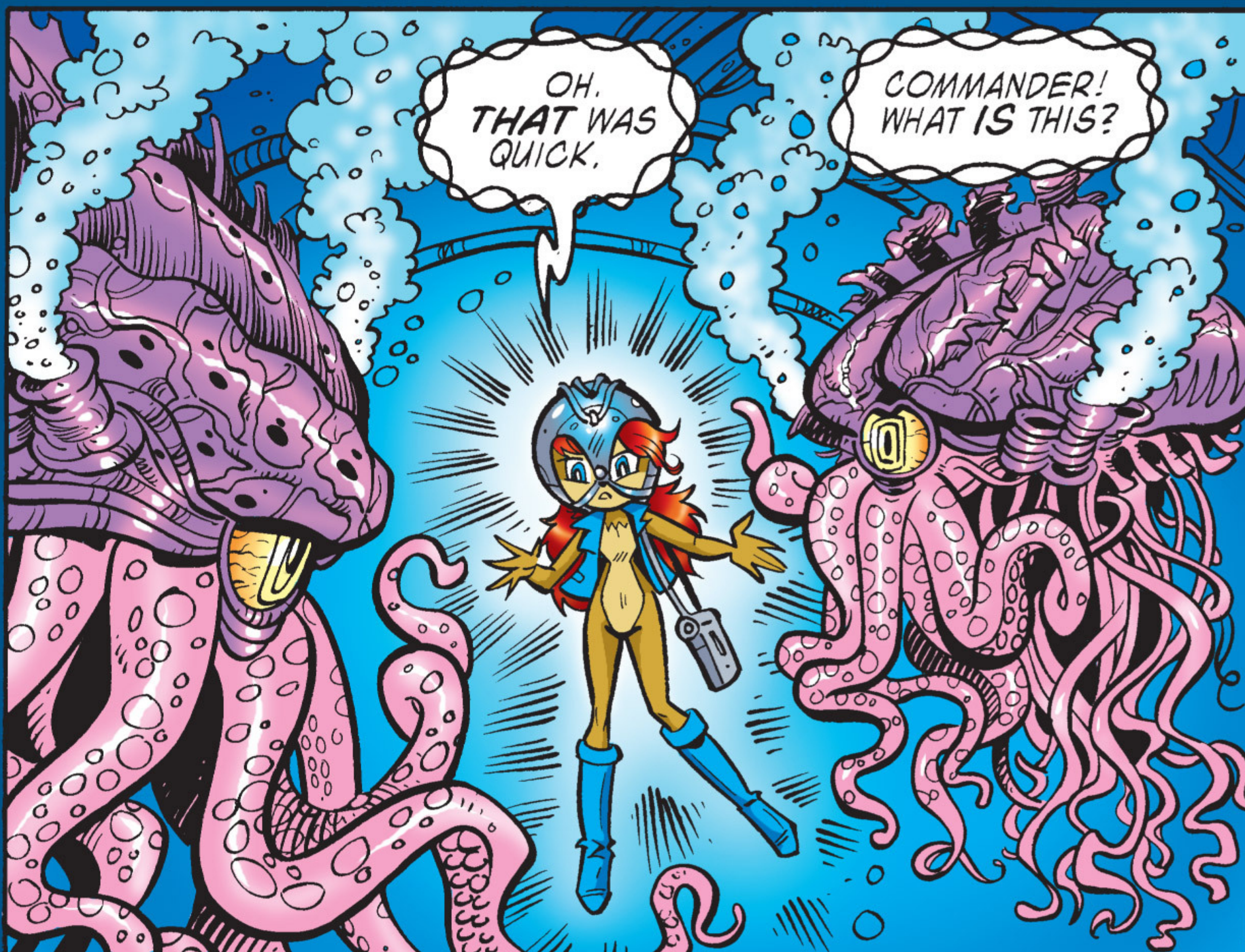
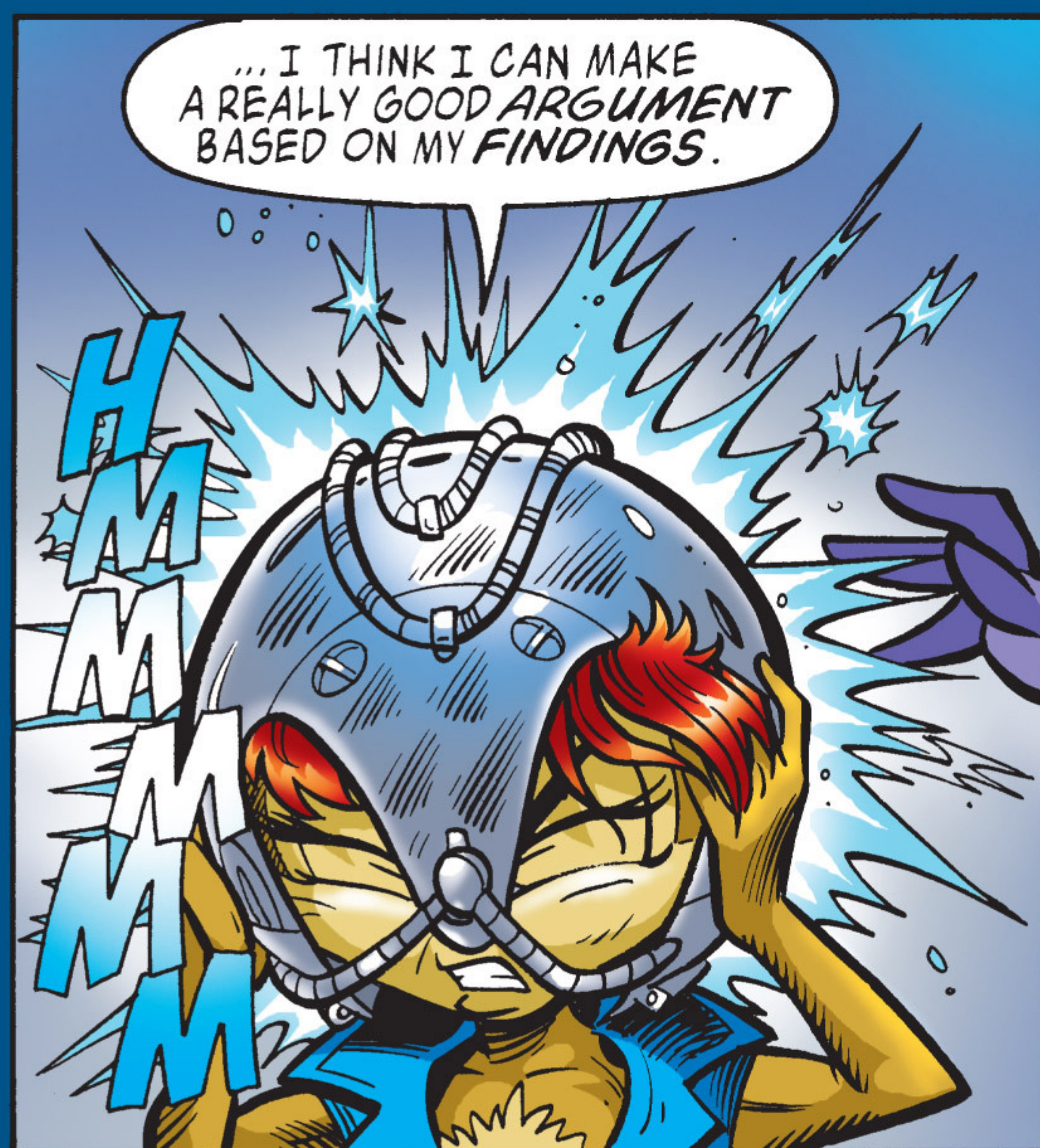
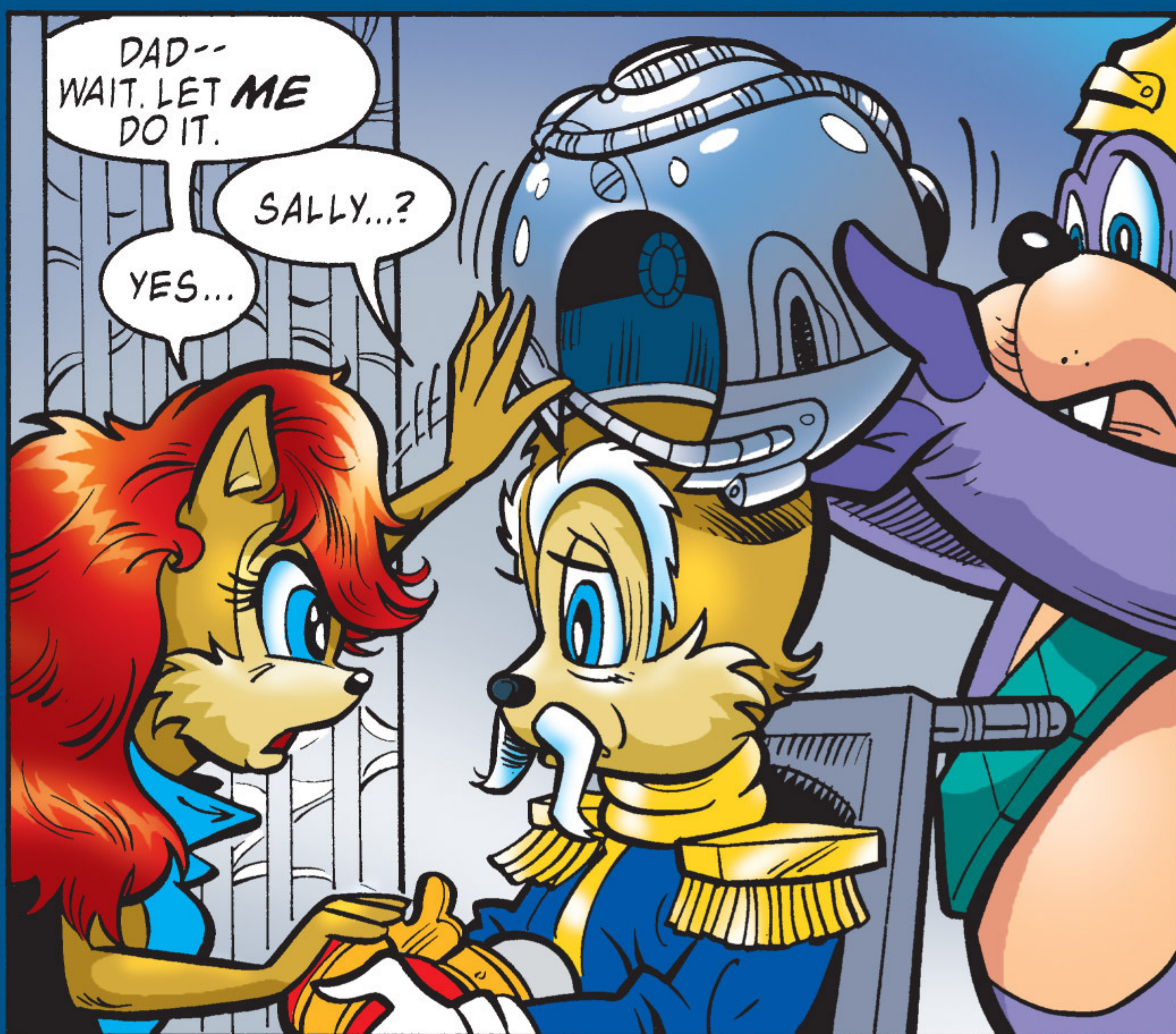
THANK YOU, **LOCKE**.  
IT'S IMPORTANT WE  
CONTACT THE XORDA  
SHIP IN **MEGA-**  
**OPOLIS** AT ONCE--  
**ROTOR?**



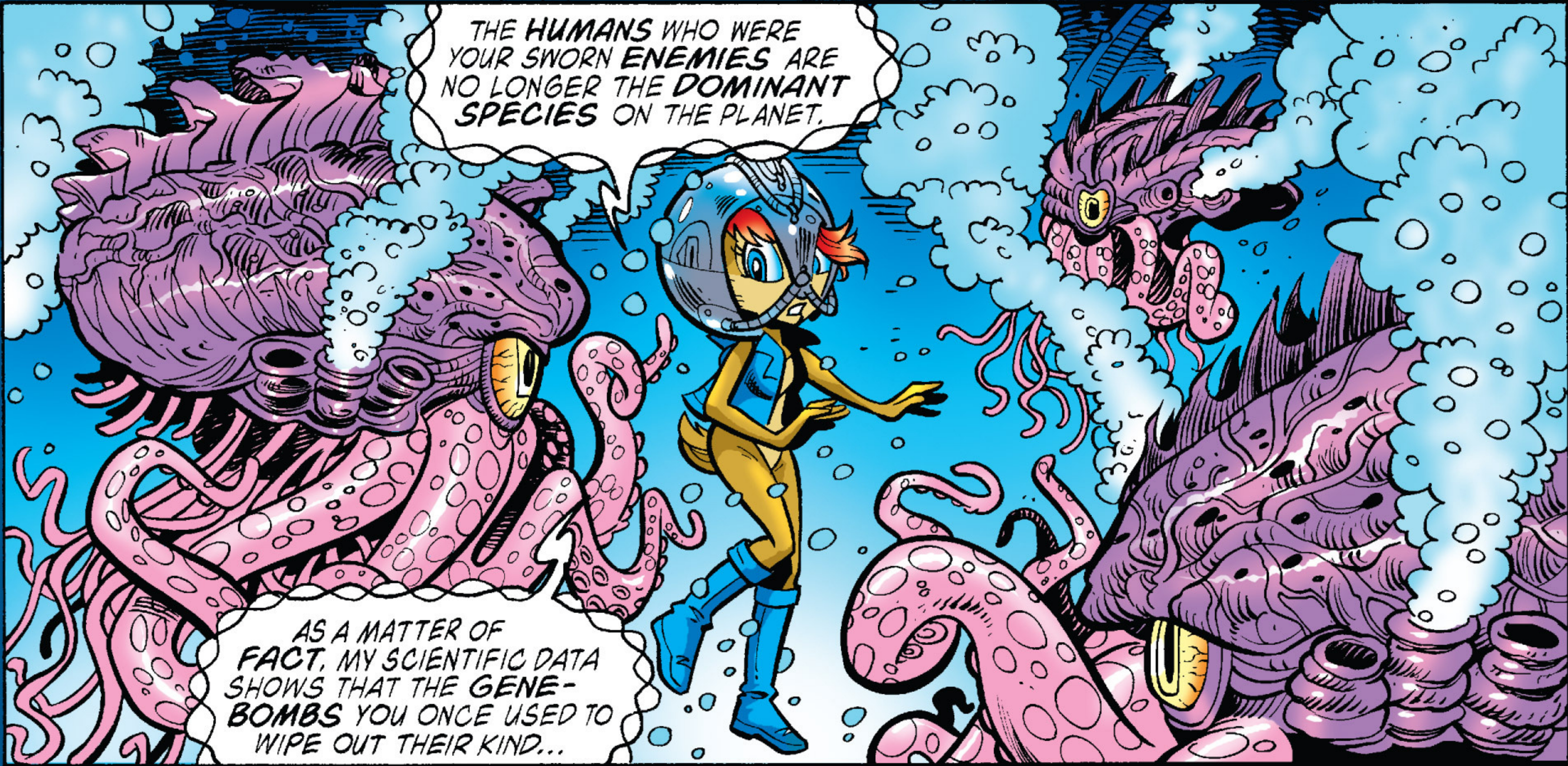
I THINK I'VE  
**GOT** SOMETHING,  
PRINCESS. IF YOU  
COULD JUST HAVE  
**SONIC--**





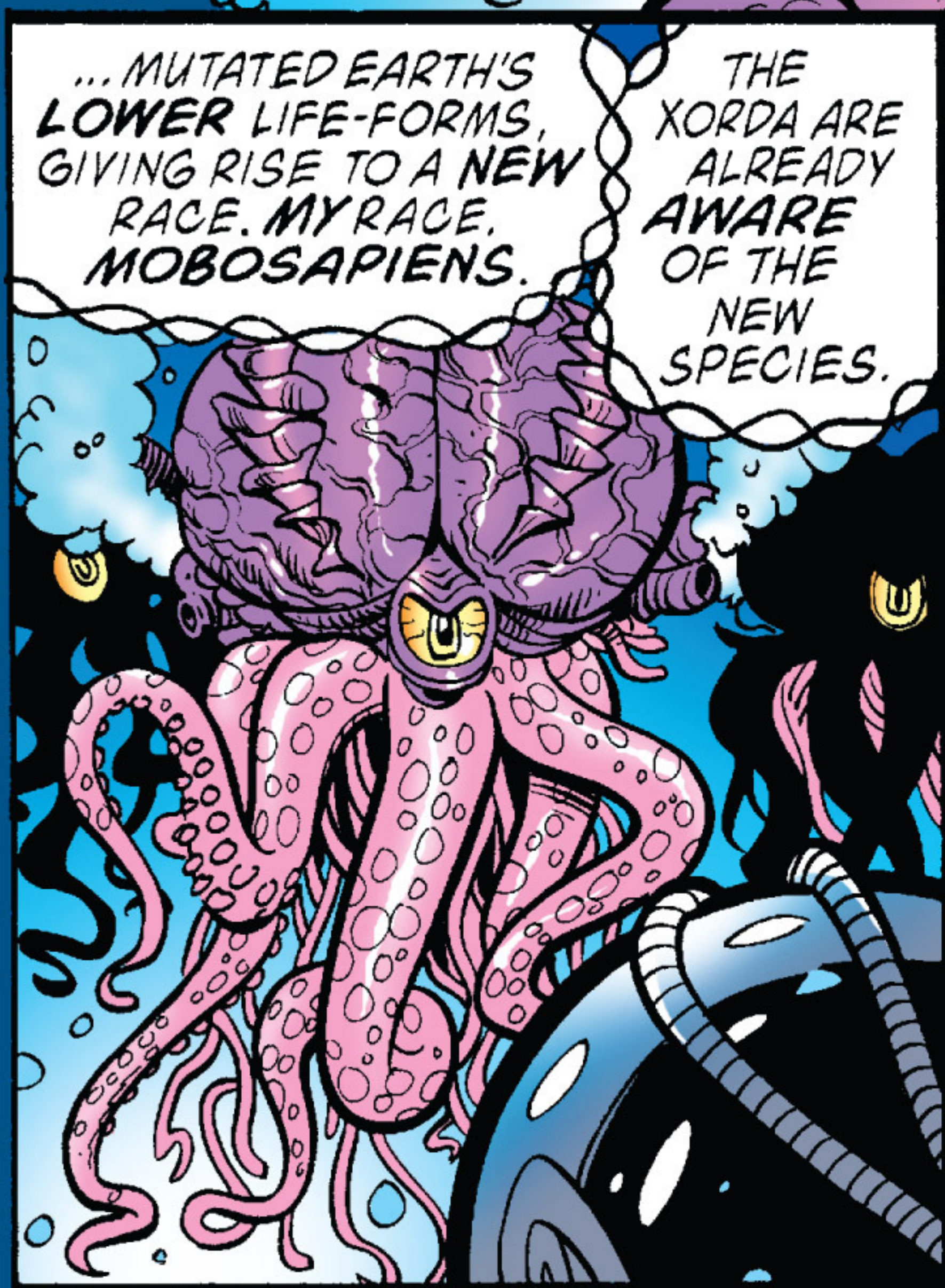






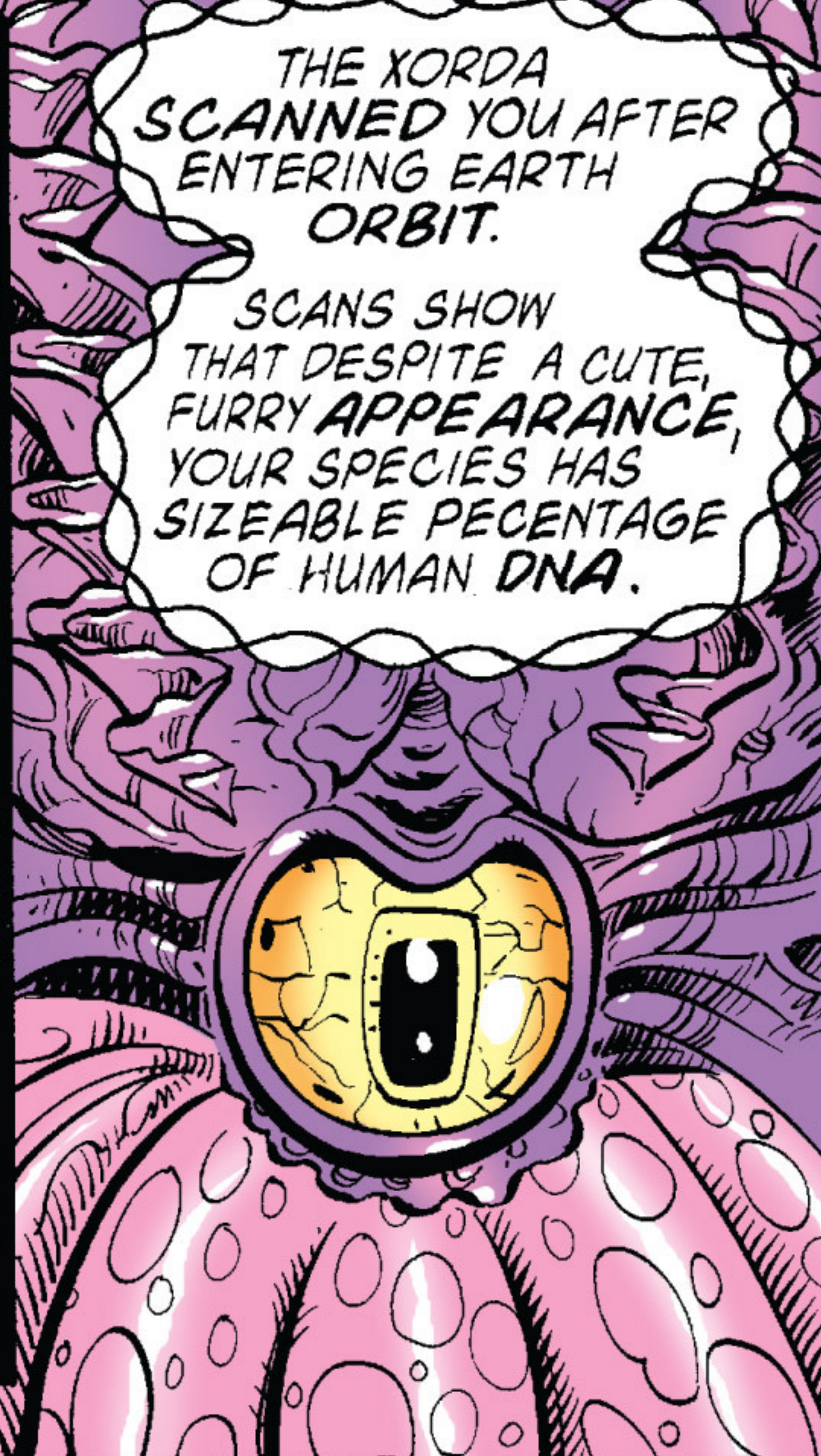
THE HUMANS WHO WERE  
YOUR SWORN **ENEMIES** ARE  
NO LONGER THE **DOMINANT**  
**SPECIES** ON THE PLANET.

AS A MATTER OF  
**FACT**, MY SCIENTIFIC DATA  
SHOWS THAT THE **GENE-**  
**BOMBS** YOU ONCE USED TO  
WIPE OUT THEIR KIND...



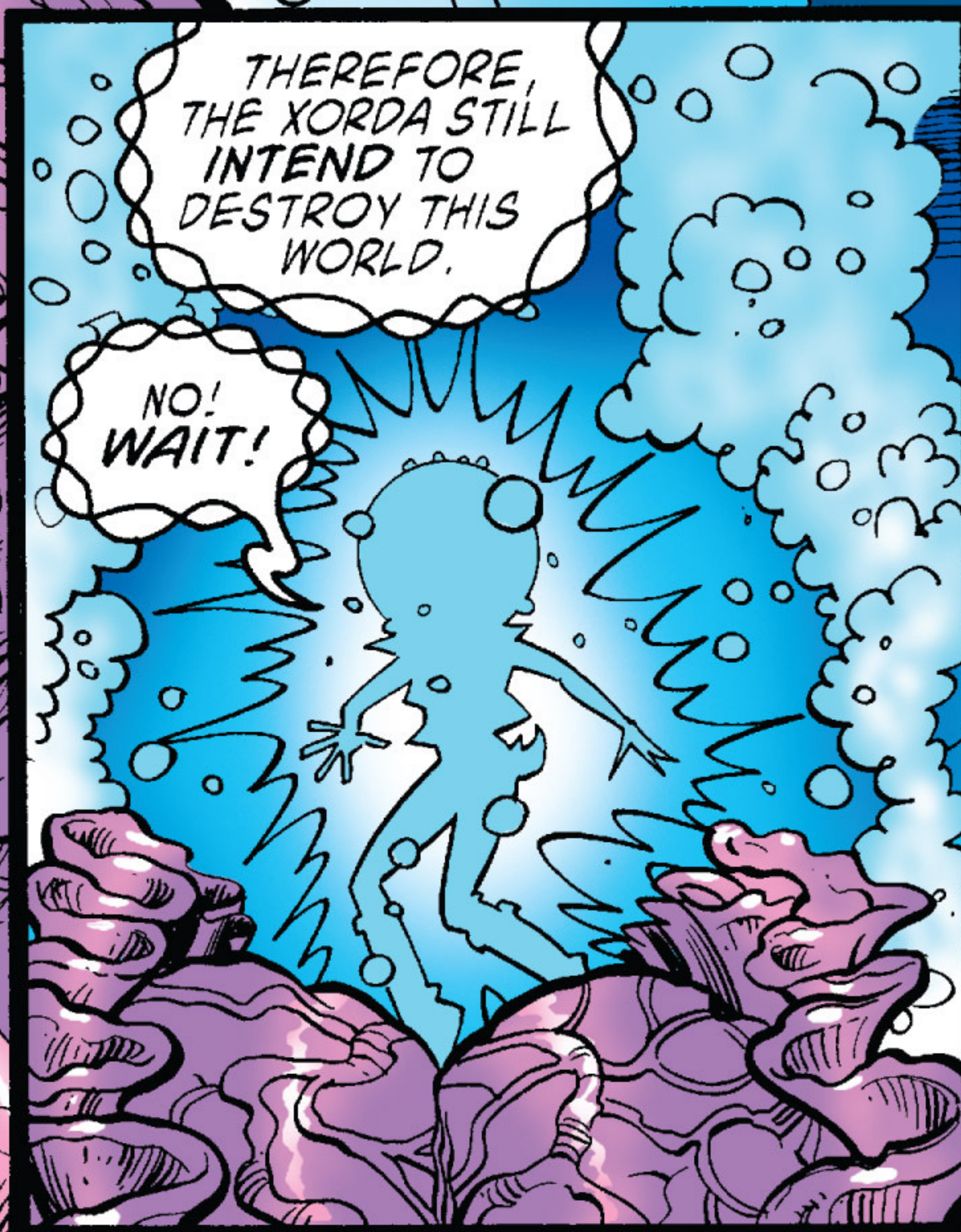
... MUTATED EARTH'S  
**LOWER** LIFE-FORMS,  
GIVING RISE TO A NEW  
RACE. MY RACE,  
**MOBOSAPIENS**.

THE  
XORDA ARE  
ALREADY  
**AWARE**  
OF THE  
NEW  
SPECIES.



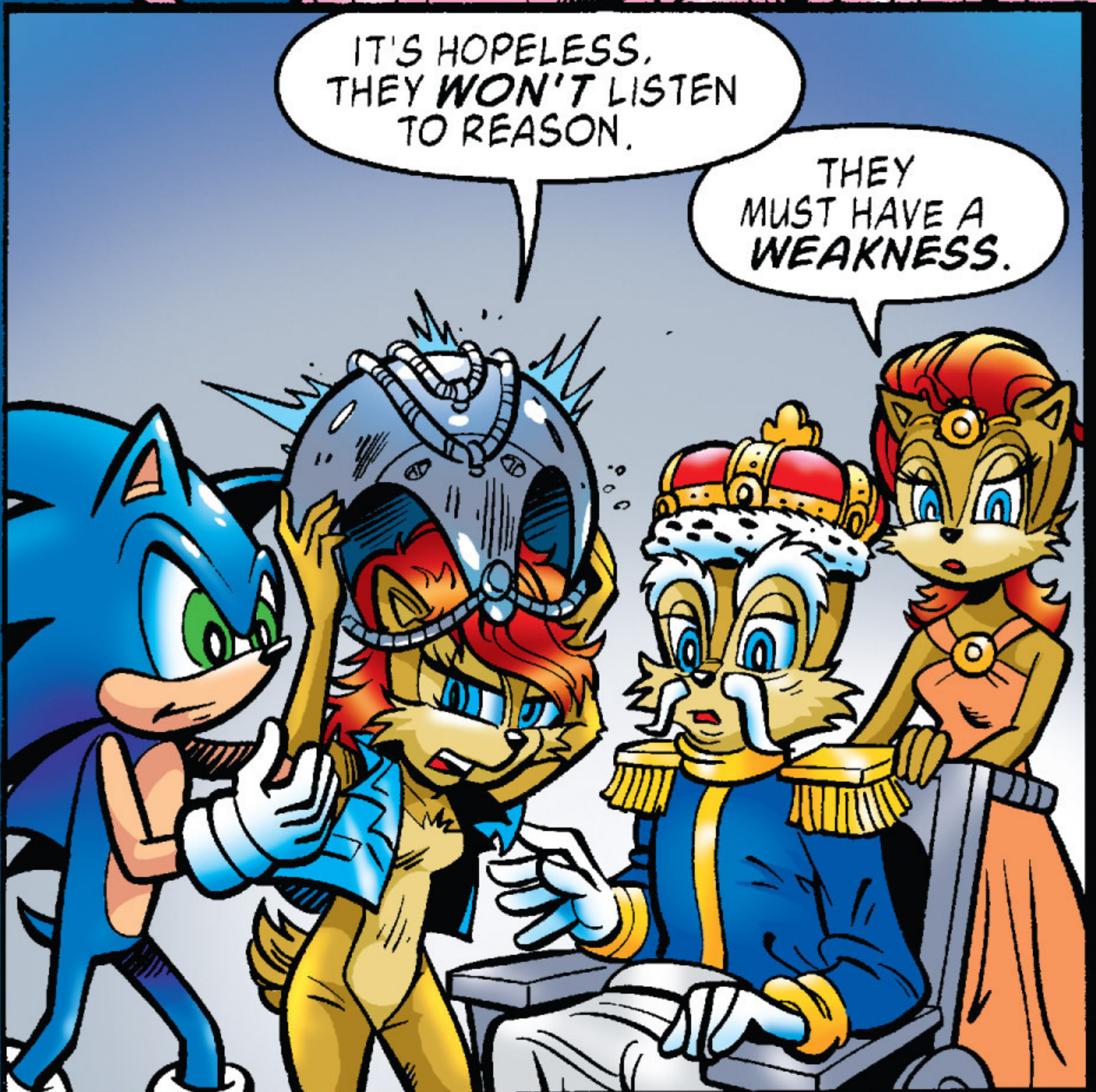
THE XORDA  
**SCANNED** YOU AFTER  
ENTERING EARTH  
ORBIT.

SCANS SHOW  
THAT DESPITE A CUTE,  
FURRY **APPEARANCE**,  
YOUR SPECIES HAS  
SIZEABLE PEGCENTAGE  
OF HUMAN **DNA**.



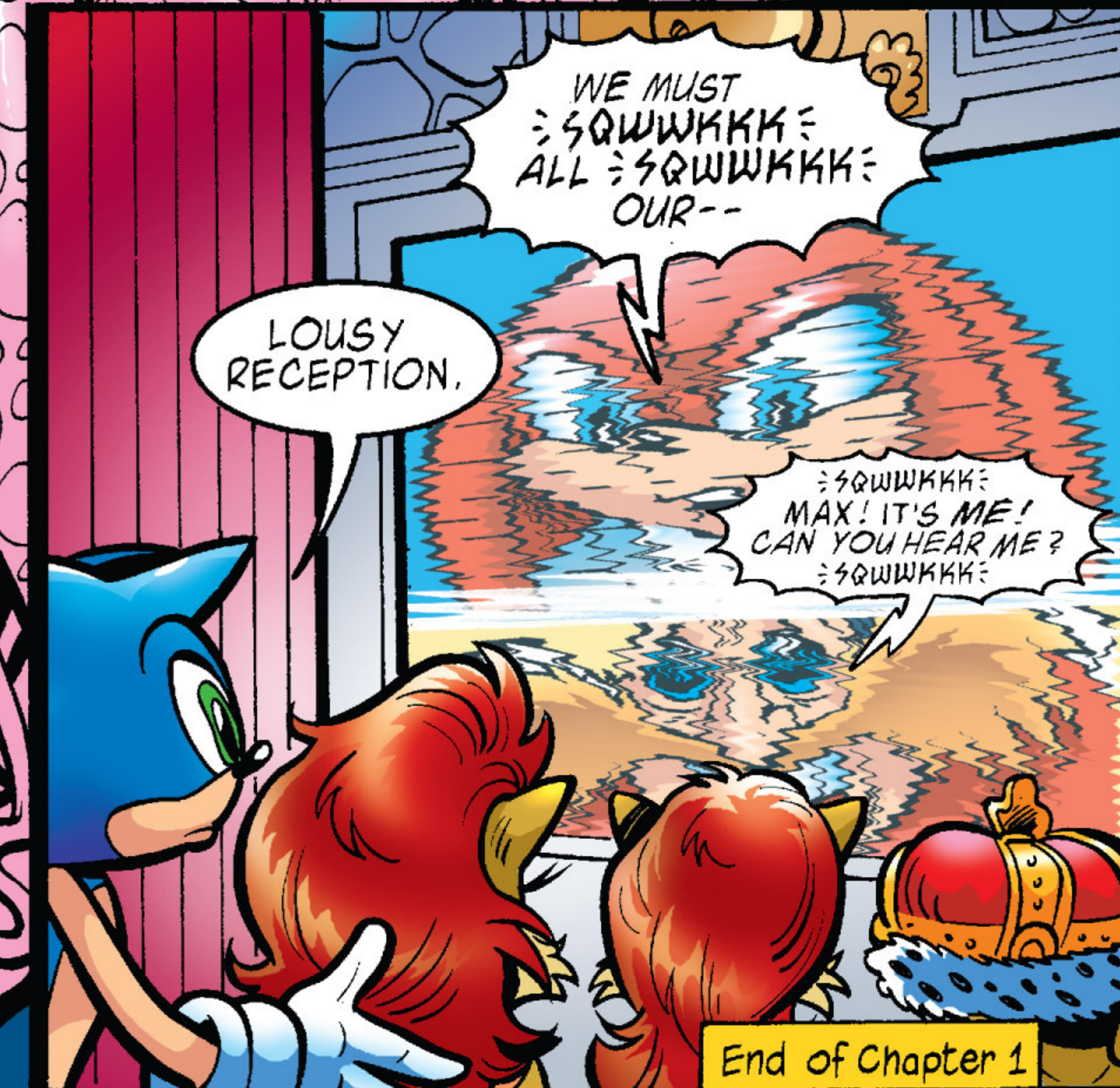
THEREFORE,  
THE XORDA STILL  
INTEND TO  
DESTROY THIS  
WORLD.

NO!  
**WAIT!**



IT'S HOPELESS.  
THEY **WON'T** LISTEN  
TO REASON.

THEY  
MUST HAVE A  
**WEAKNESS**.



WE MUST  
:SQWWKKK:  
ALL :SQWWKKK:  
OUR--

LOUSY  
RECEPTION.

:SQWWKKK:  
MAX! IT'S ME!  
CAN YOU HEAR ME?  
:SQWWKKK:



MAX! IT'S ME!  
YOUR NUMBER-ONE  
PAL!

I THINK I  
HAVE A **MEANS** OF  
BEATING BACK THESE  
ICKY **ALIENS**!

I'M  
LISTENING,  
ROBOTNIK...

"PLEASE ALLOW ME  
TO INTRODUCE YOU  
TO **GIGA-BOT  
PRIME**, LATEST  
TESTAMENT TO MY  
INVENTIVE **GENIUS**."

"IT STANDS OVER  
ONE HUNDRED FEET  
TALL AND HAS  
ENOUGH DESTRUCTIVE  
**CAPABILITY** TO  
LEVEL AN ENTIRE  
**MOUNTAIN**."

"HOWEVER, MY CREATION  
IS SO HUGE, ONLY SONIC'S  
**SPEED** CAN GENERATE  
ENOUGH ENERGY TO **POWER**  
IT."

# SONIC ADVENTURE 2.5: **Ω**MEGA CHAPTER 2

ART  
MAWHINNEY  
- PENCILS -

PAM  
EKLUND  
- INKS -  
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NELSON  
RIBEIRO  
- INKS -  
4-10-11

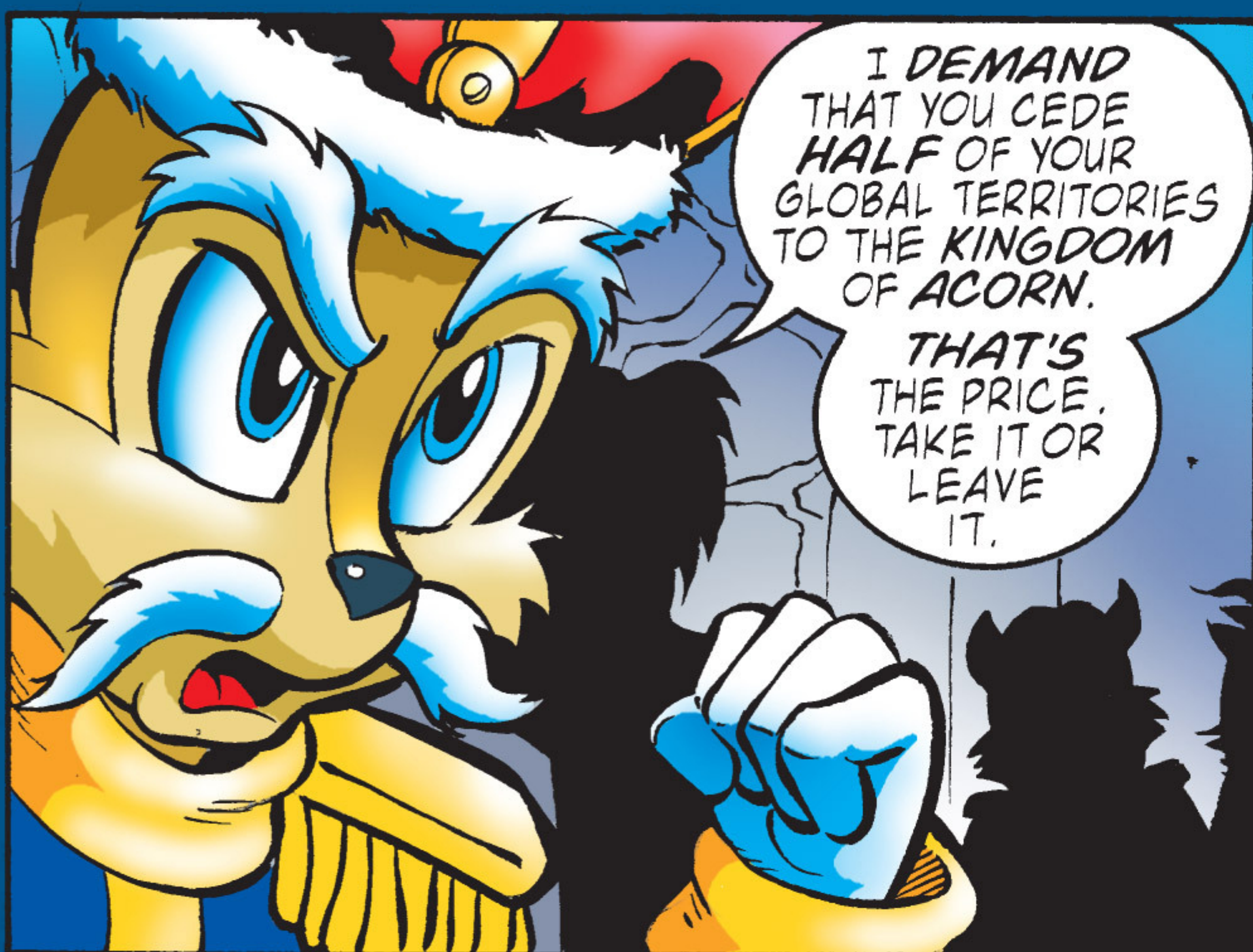
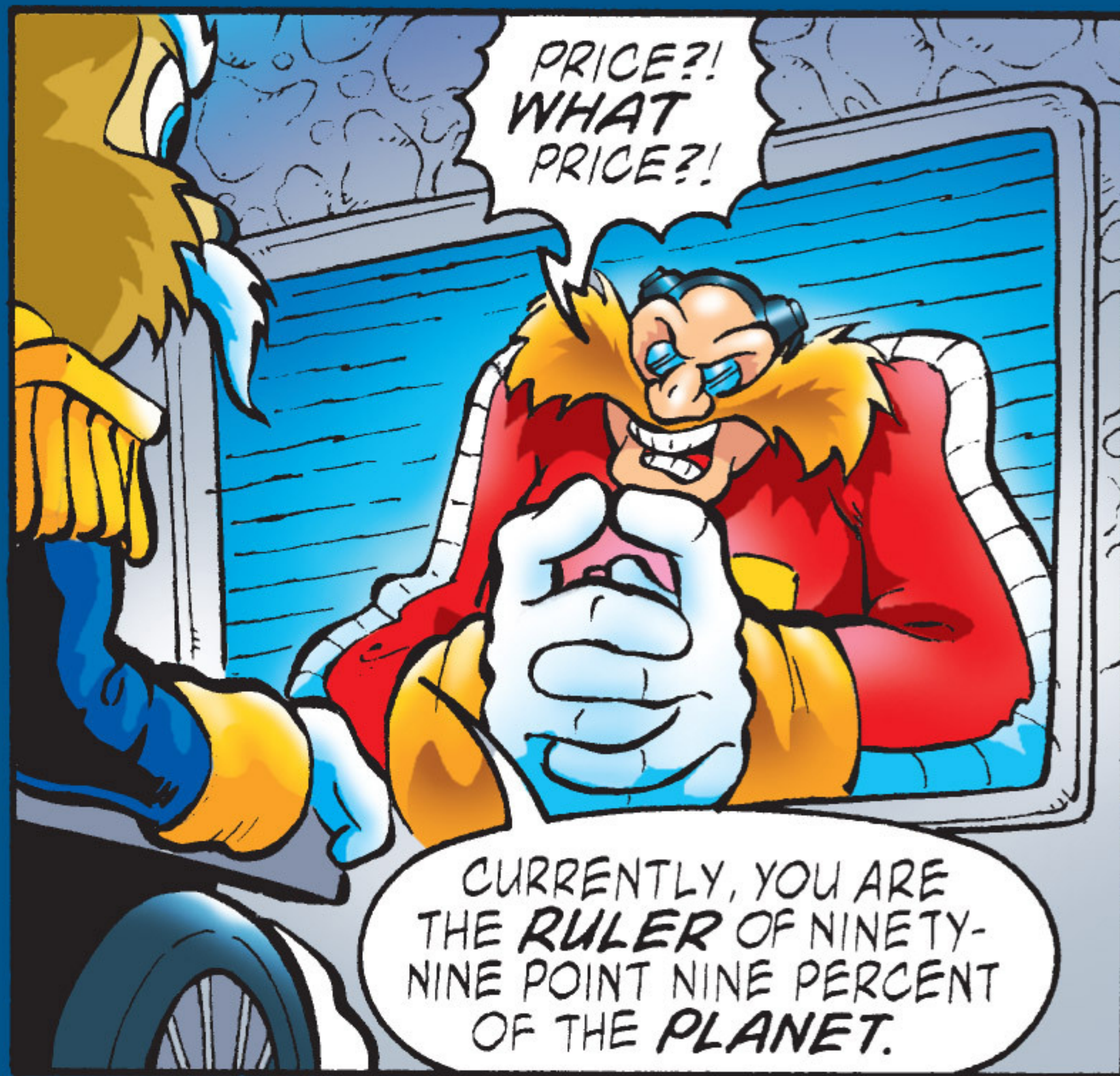
HOW CRUEL IS FATE  
THAT MY WORST ENEMY  
SHOULD POSSESS THE  
ABILITY TO DRIVE MY  
LATEST, GREATEST  
WEAPON.

BOO-HOO. YOU'RE  
MAKING ME **MISTY**.

AS MUCH AS I **HATE** IT, I'M  
YOUR HOG, RO' BUTT 'NIK.  
THE  
XORDA  
ARE THE  
**GREATER  
EVIL**.

NOT SO  
**FAST**, SONIC. YOUR  
SERVICES **AREN'T**  
FOR FREE.  
ROBOTNIK MUST  
**PAY A PRICE**.





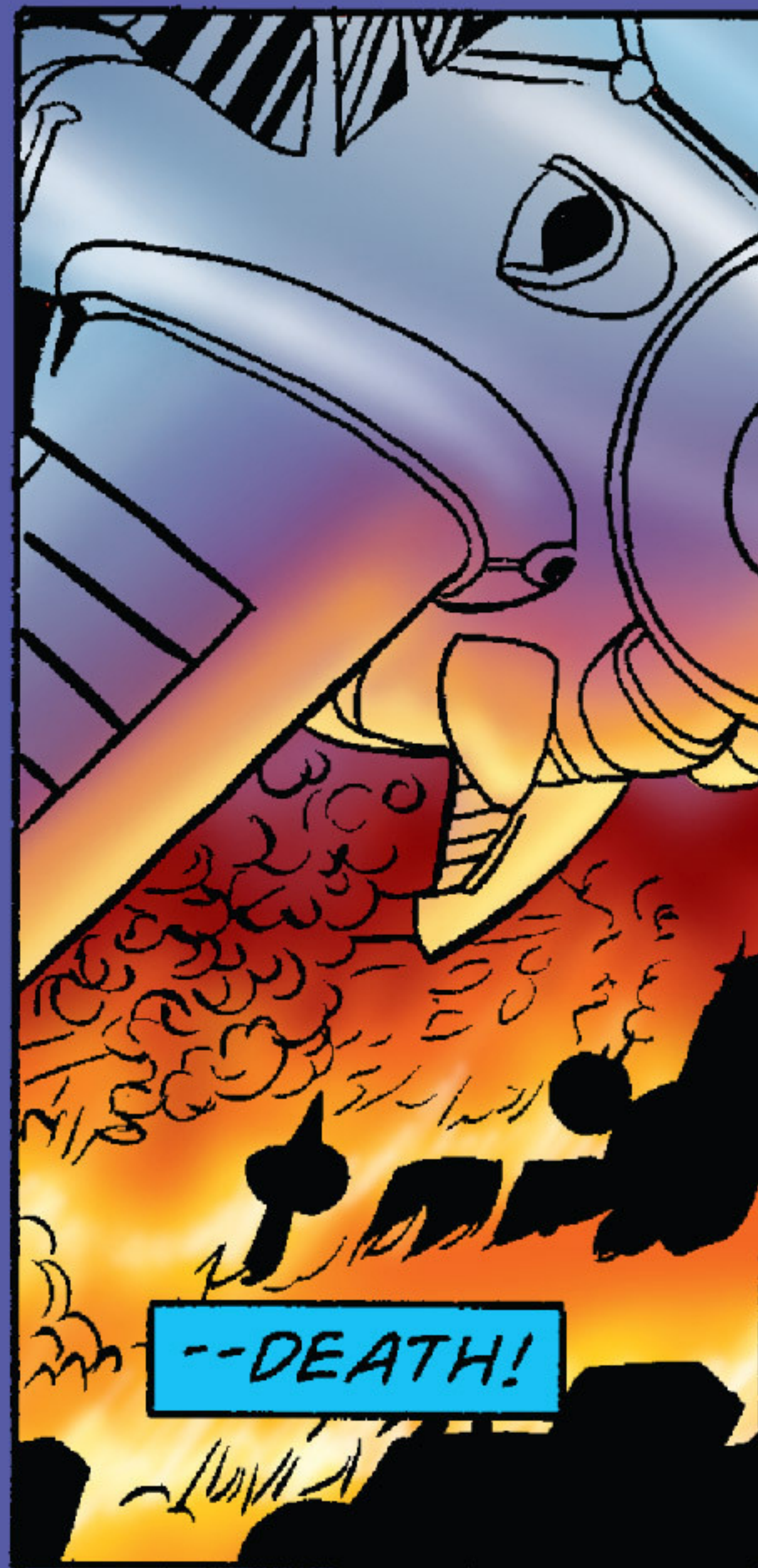


ELSEWHERE.

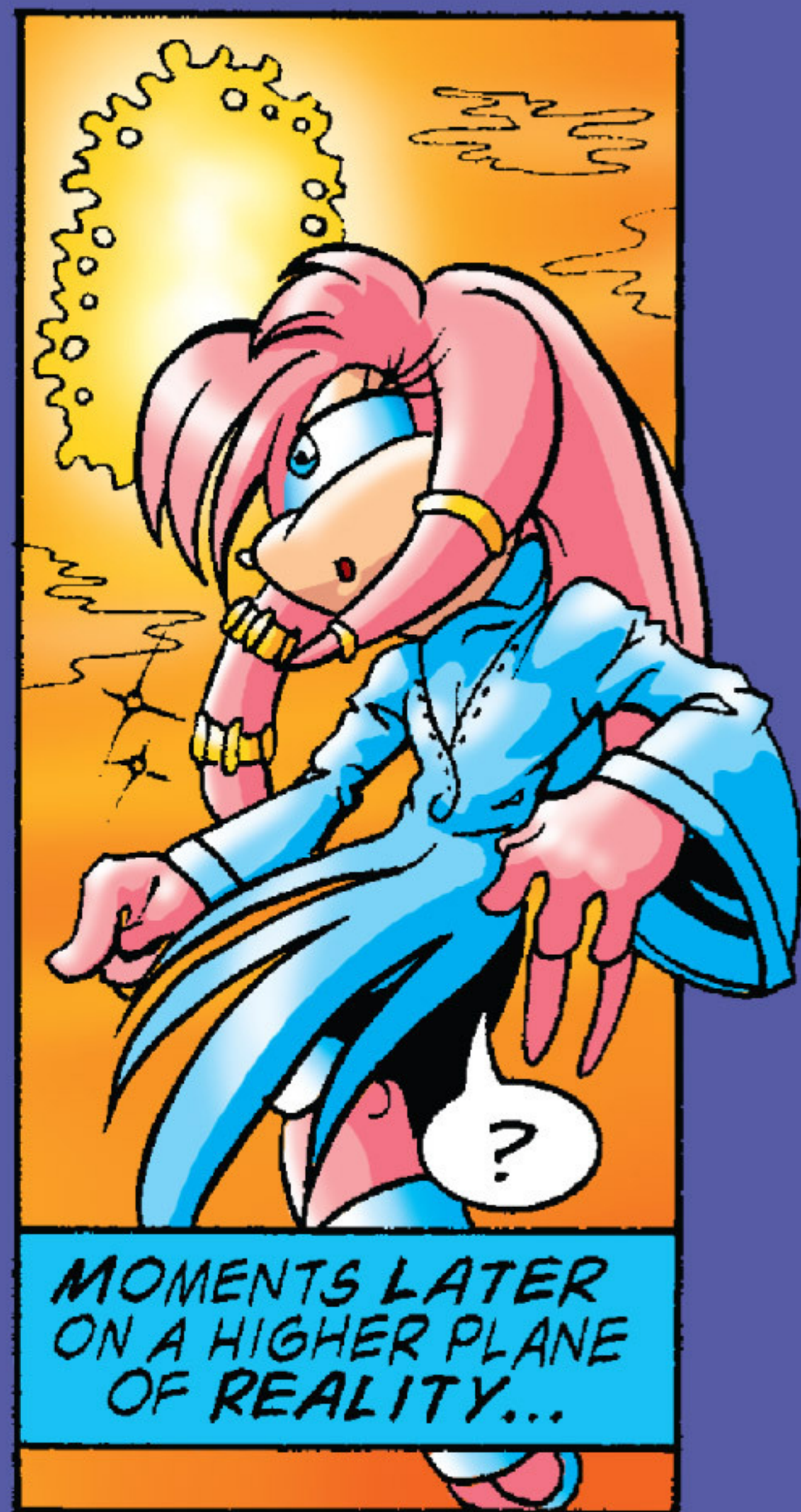


IN A REALM OUTSIDE TIME-SPACE,  
THE ENTITY WHO WAS ONCE  
KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA SENSES--

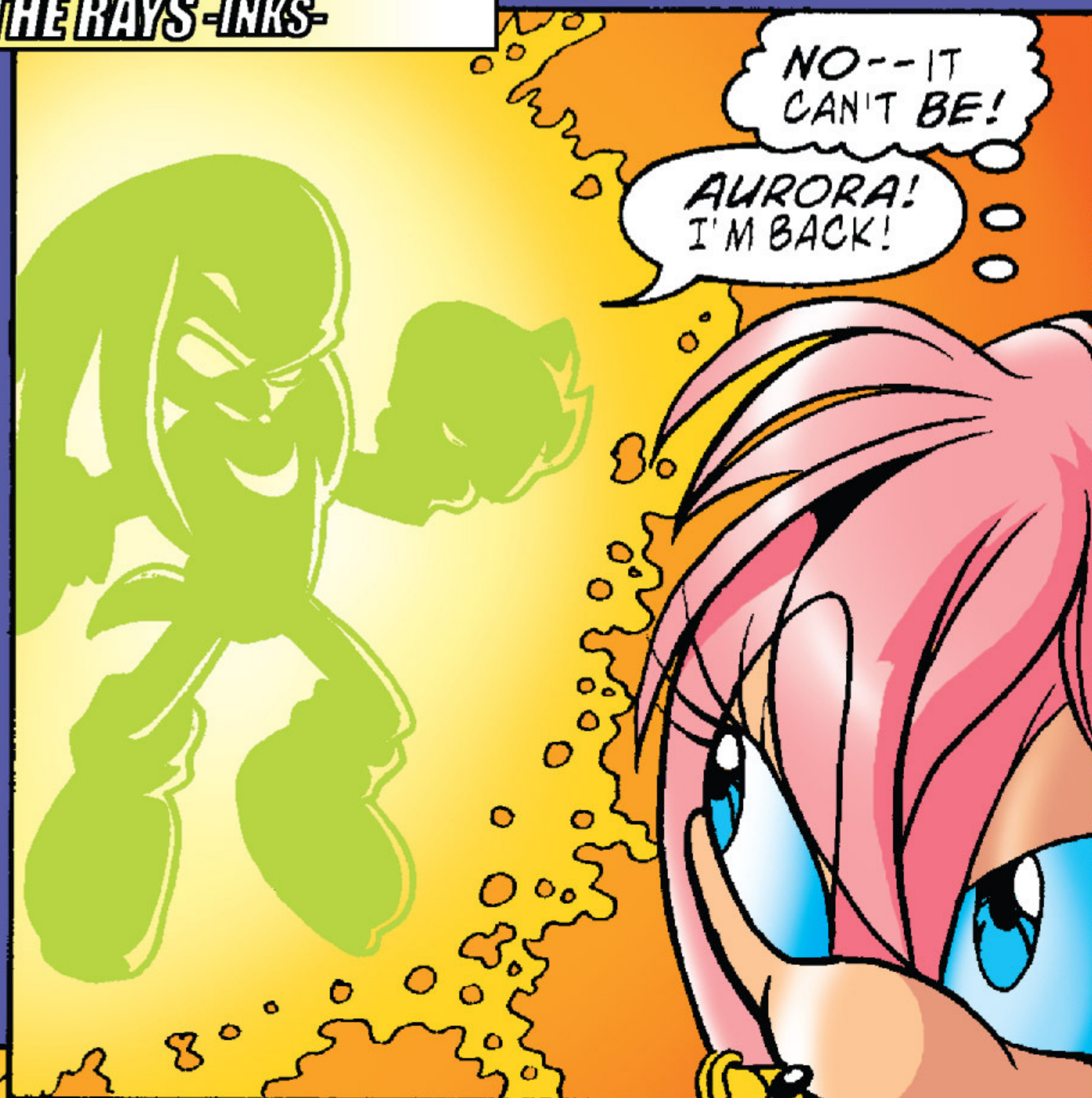
DAWN BEST-PENCILS-  
THE RAYS-INKS-



--DEATH!



MOMENTS LATER  
ON A HIGHER PLANE  
OF REALITY...



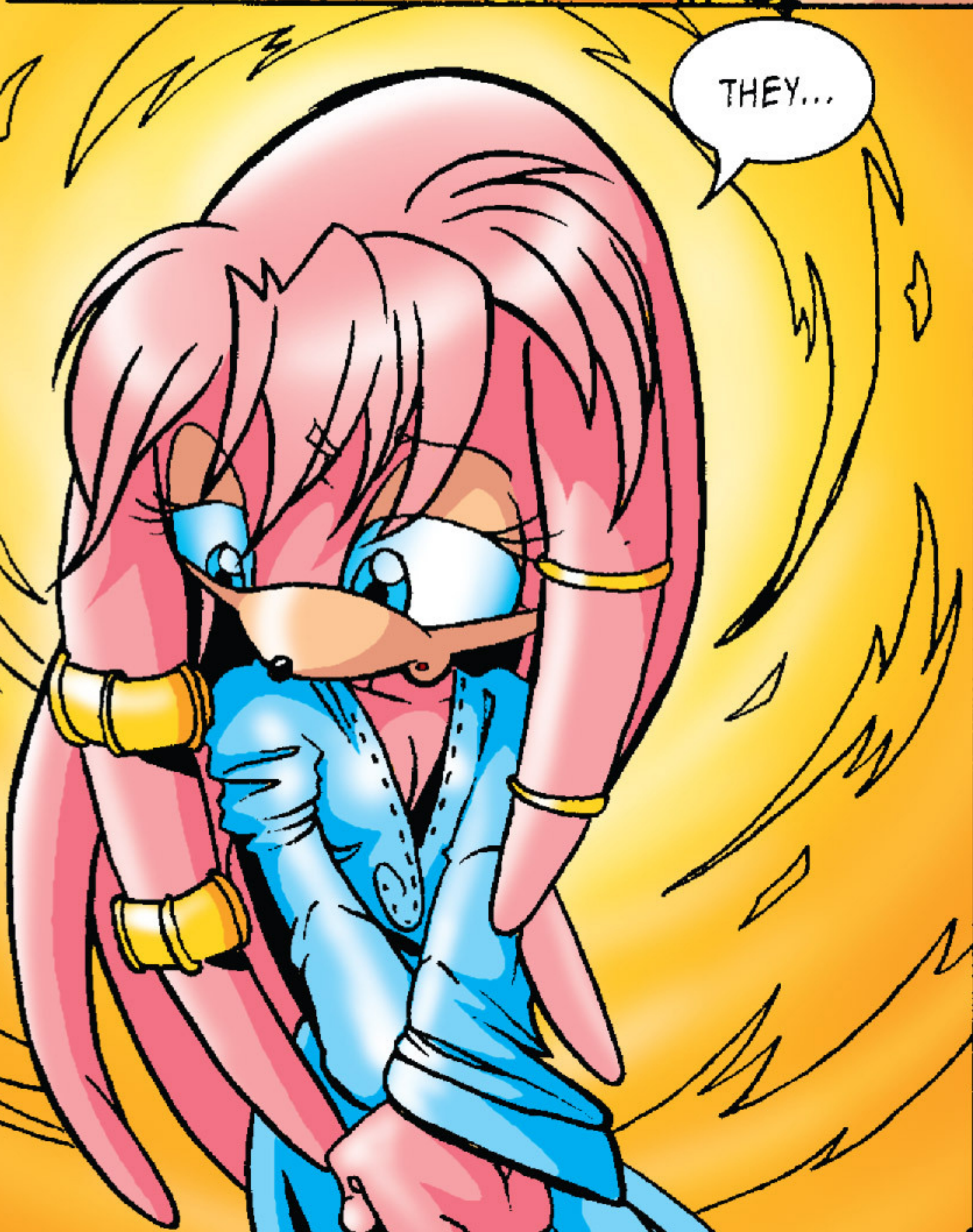
NO--IT  
CAN'T BE!

AURORA!  
I'M BACK!

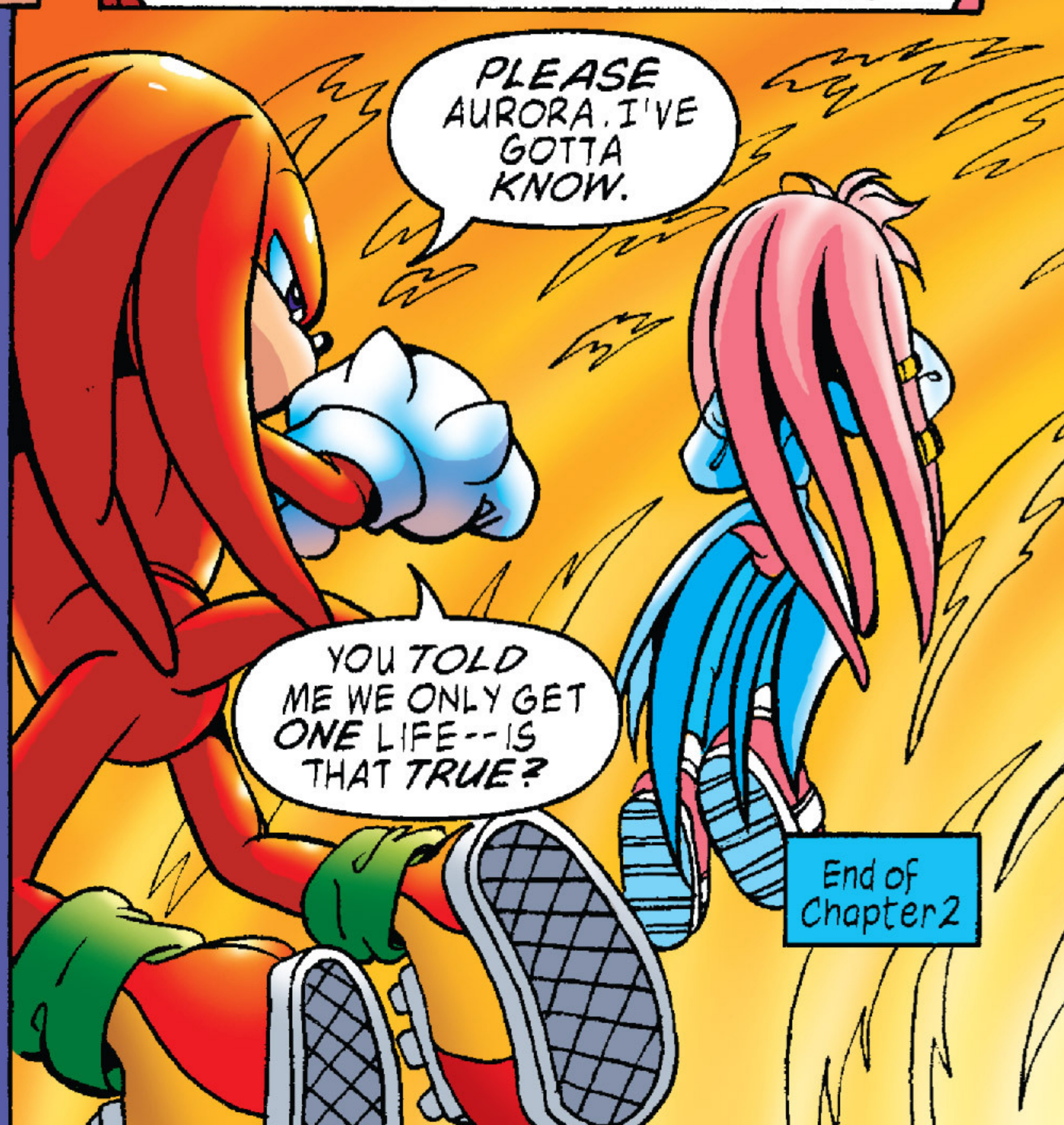
KNUCKLES--YOU WERE ONE WITH THE CHAOS  
FORCE! HOW CAN YOU SO CASUALLY FORSAKE  
SPIRITUAL ENLIGHTENMENT?

I SENSED A *MENACE* TO  
MOBIUS--TO MY FOLKS, MY FRIENDS,  
EVERYBODY I'VE EVER KNOWN.

A DANGER SO *SERIOUS* THEY  
MAY PERISH WITHOUT MY *HELP*. TELL ME--  
CAN THEY BEAT THIS ENEMY OR NOT?



THEY...



PLEASE  
AURORA. I'VE  
GOTTA  
KNOW.

YOU TOLD  
ME WE ONLY GET  
*ONE LIFE*--IS  
THAT *TRUE*?

End of  
Chapter 2



# SONIC ADVENTURE

# 2.5: ΩMEGA CHAPTER 3

FELLOW MOBIANS--  
BY NOW YOU KNOW OF THE  
MENACE THAT THREATENS  
OUR WORLD.

ART  
MAWHINNEY  
- PENCILS -

NELSON  
RIBEIRO  
- INKS -

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PAM  
EKLUND  
- INKS -

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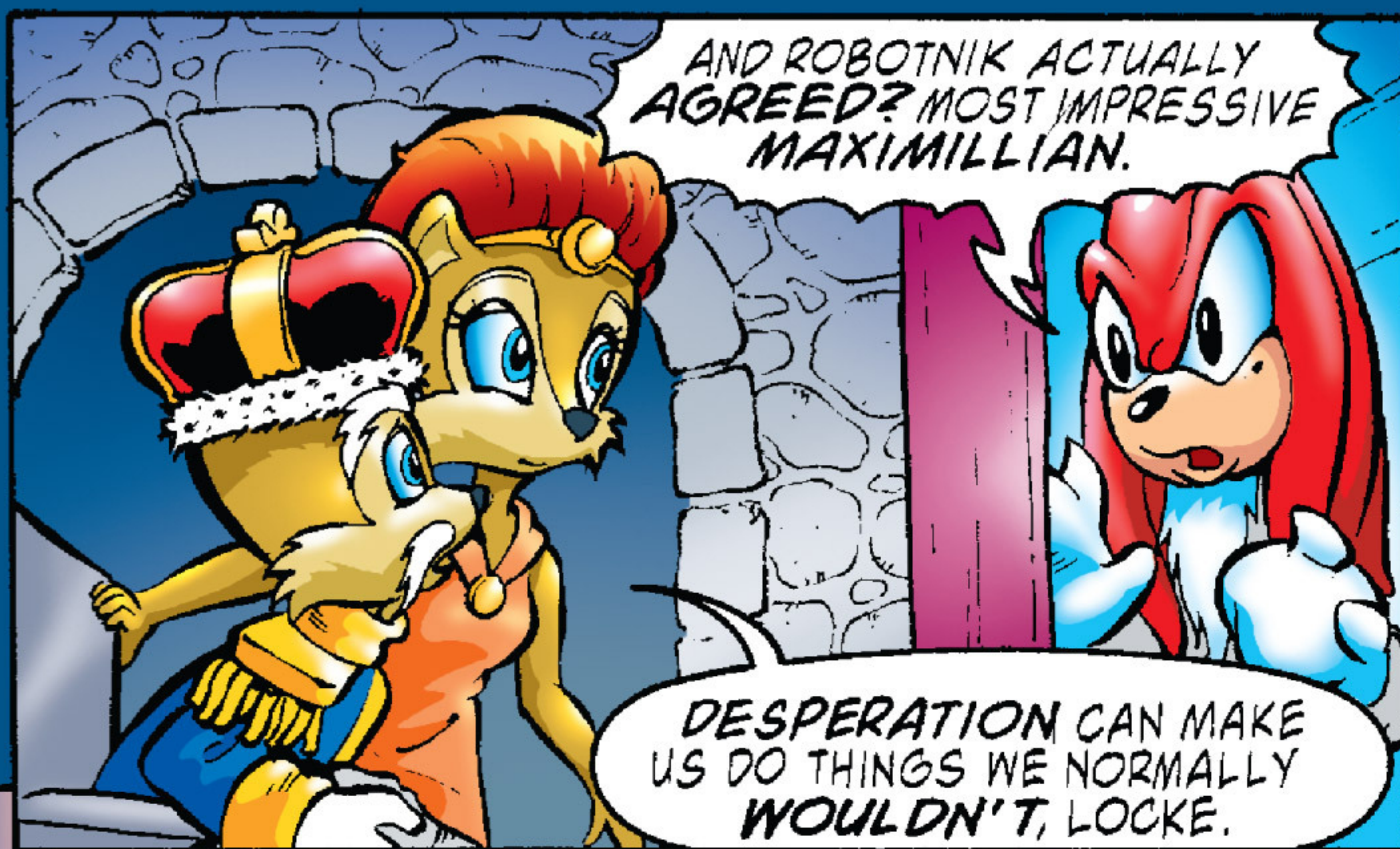
SONIC HAS  
VOLUNTEERED  
TO GO ON THE  
MISSION THAT  
WILL BEAT BACK  
THESE SPACE  
INVADERS.

DARNED  
TOOTIN'!

THE REST OF  
THE PLANET'S  
FREEDOM  
FIGHTERS  
ARE ON STAND-  
BY SHOULD HE  
FAIL...

...AS  
ARE WE.





AND ROBOTNIK ACTUALLY AGREED? MOST IMPRESSIVE MAXIMILLIAN.

DESPERATION CAN MAKE US DO THINGS WE NORMALLY WOULDN'T, LOCKE.

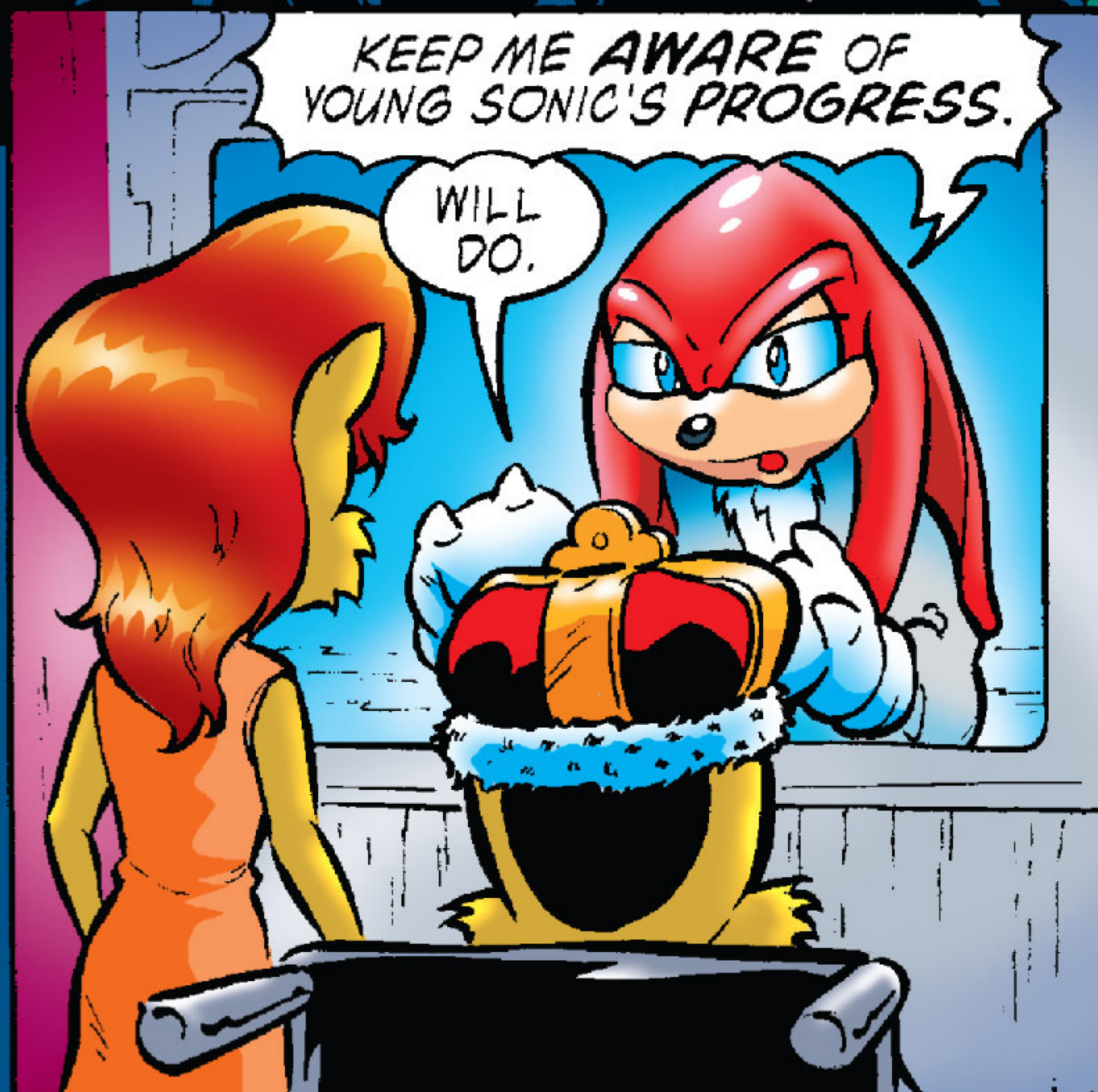


DESPERATION, IN *THIS* INSTANCE ROBOTNIK'S, WORKED IN OUR FAVOR.



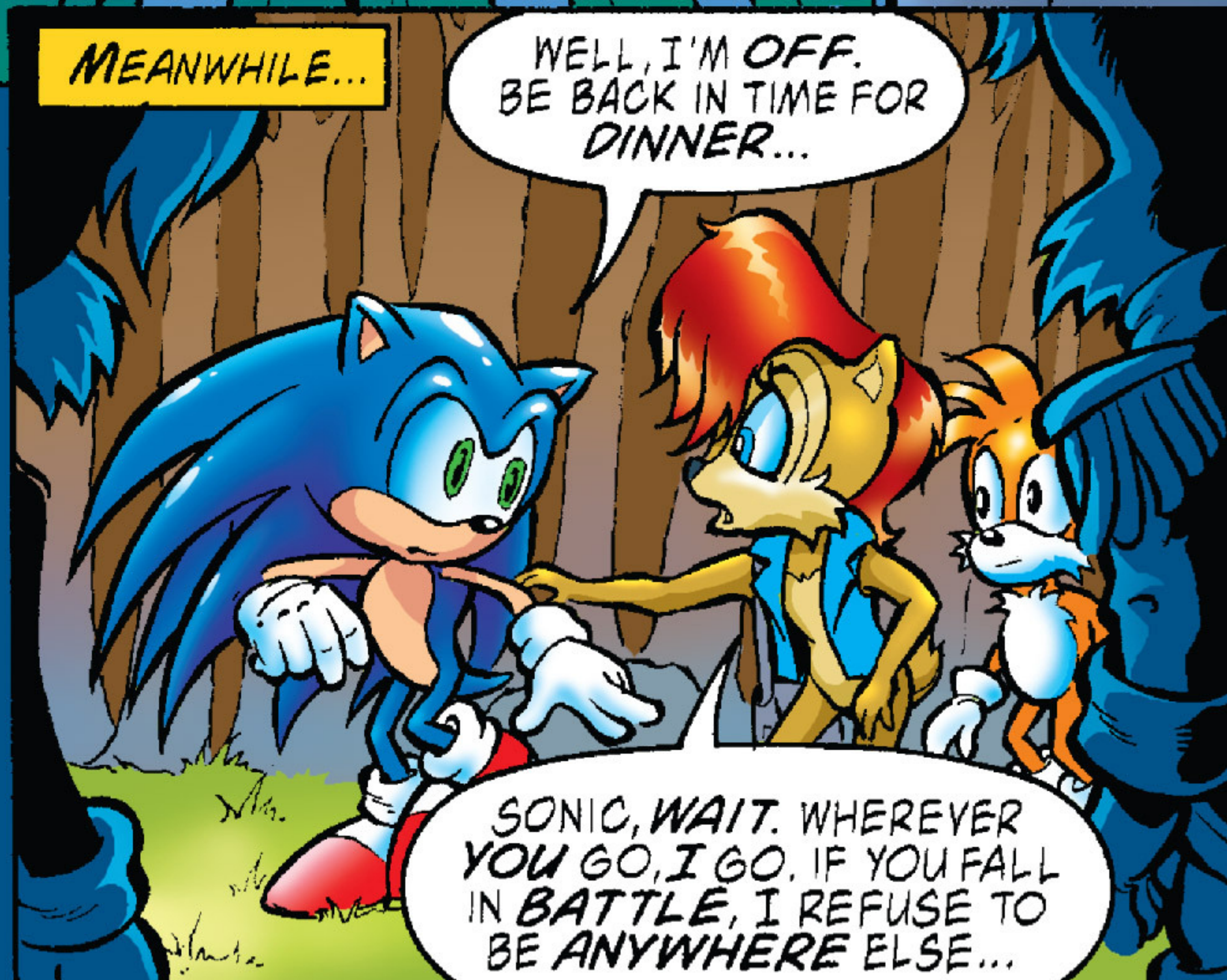
"I SEE YOUR POINT."

"HERE ON ANGEL ISLAND EVEN THE MOST UNLIKELY GROUPS ARE WILLING TO WORK TOGETHER IN THIS MOMENT OF CRISIS."



KEEP ME AWARE OF YOUNG SONIC'S PROGRESS.

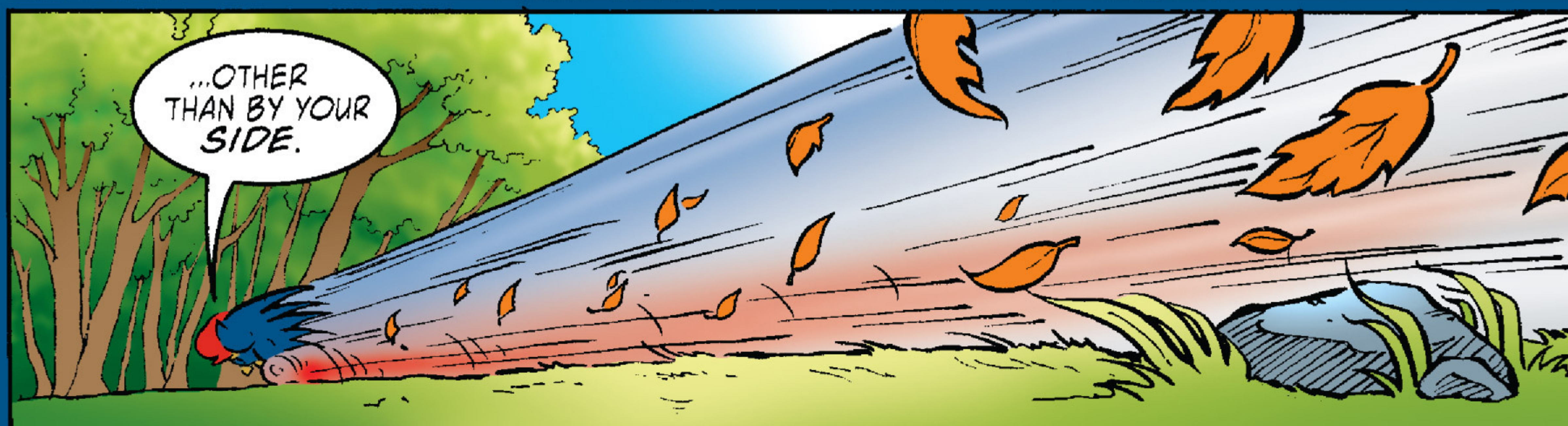
WILL DO.



MEANWHILE...

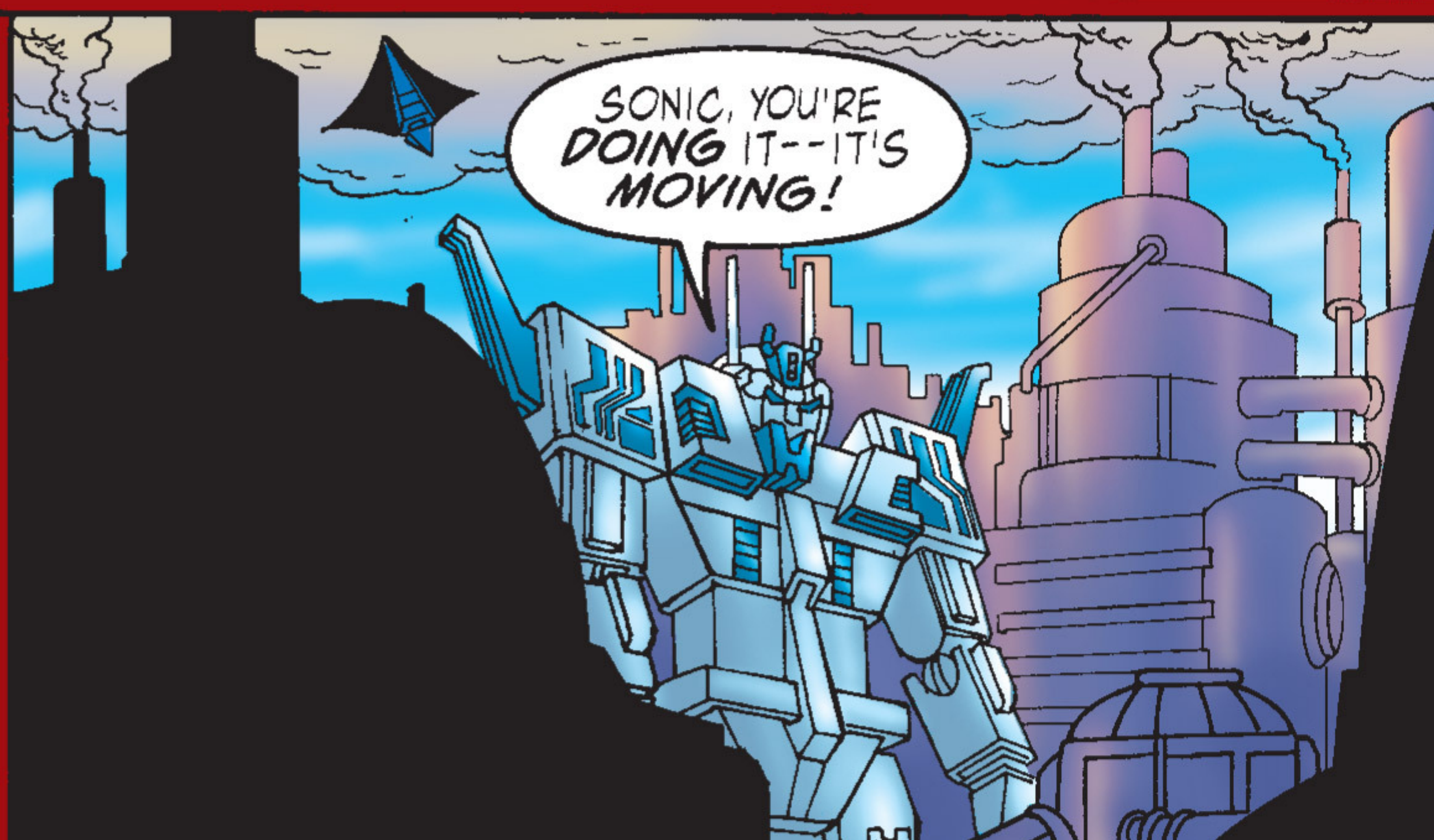
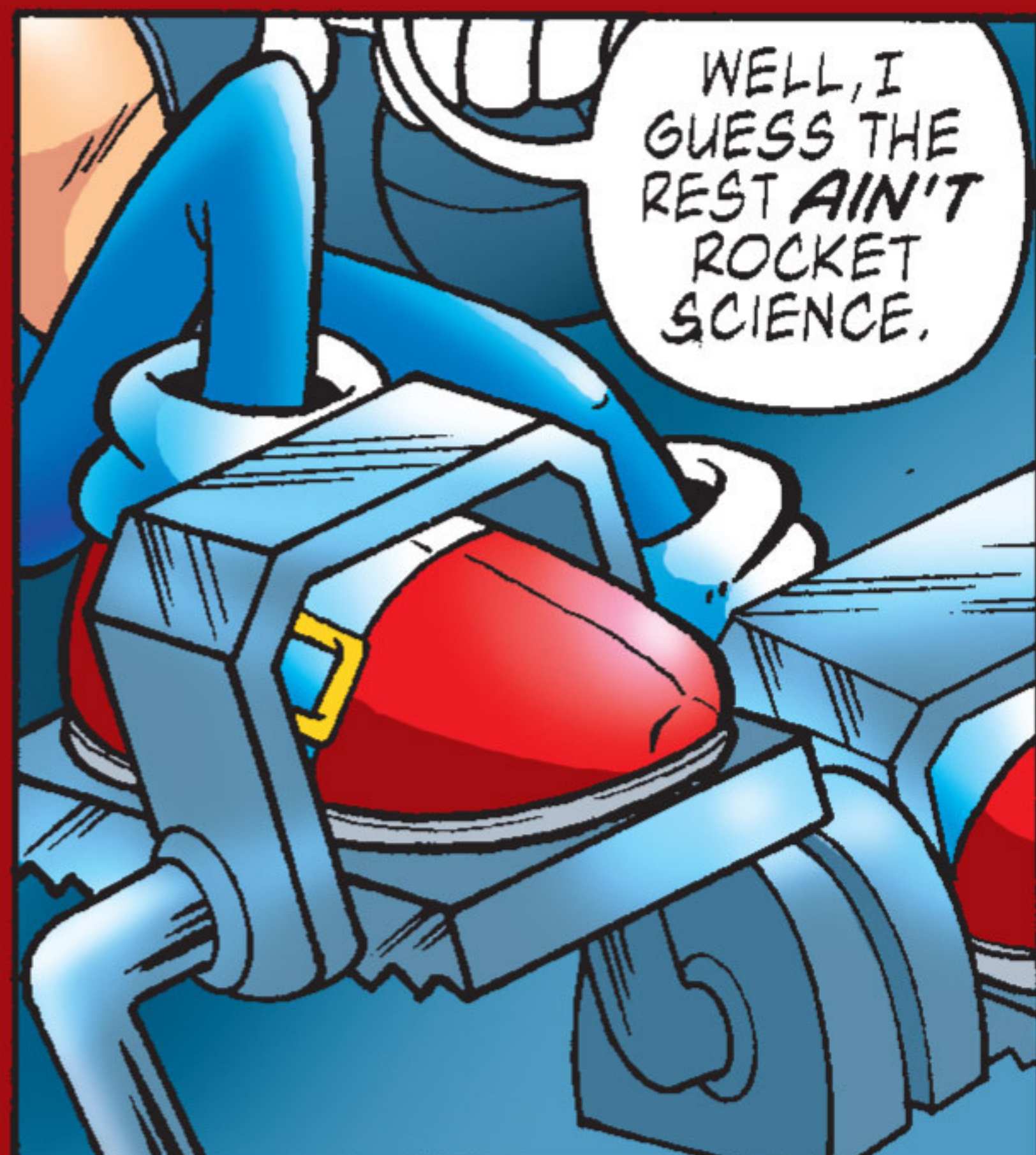
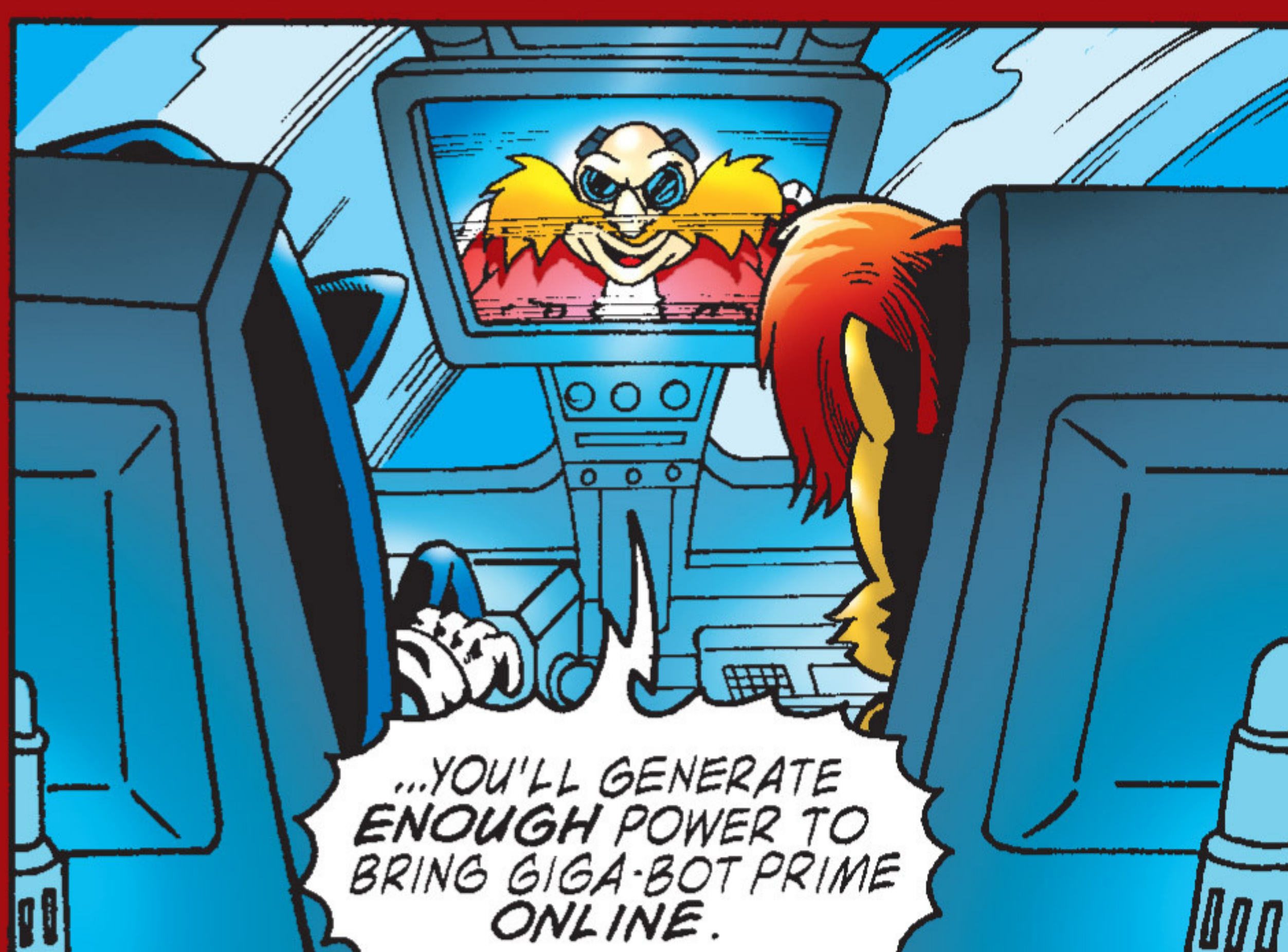
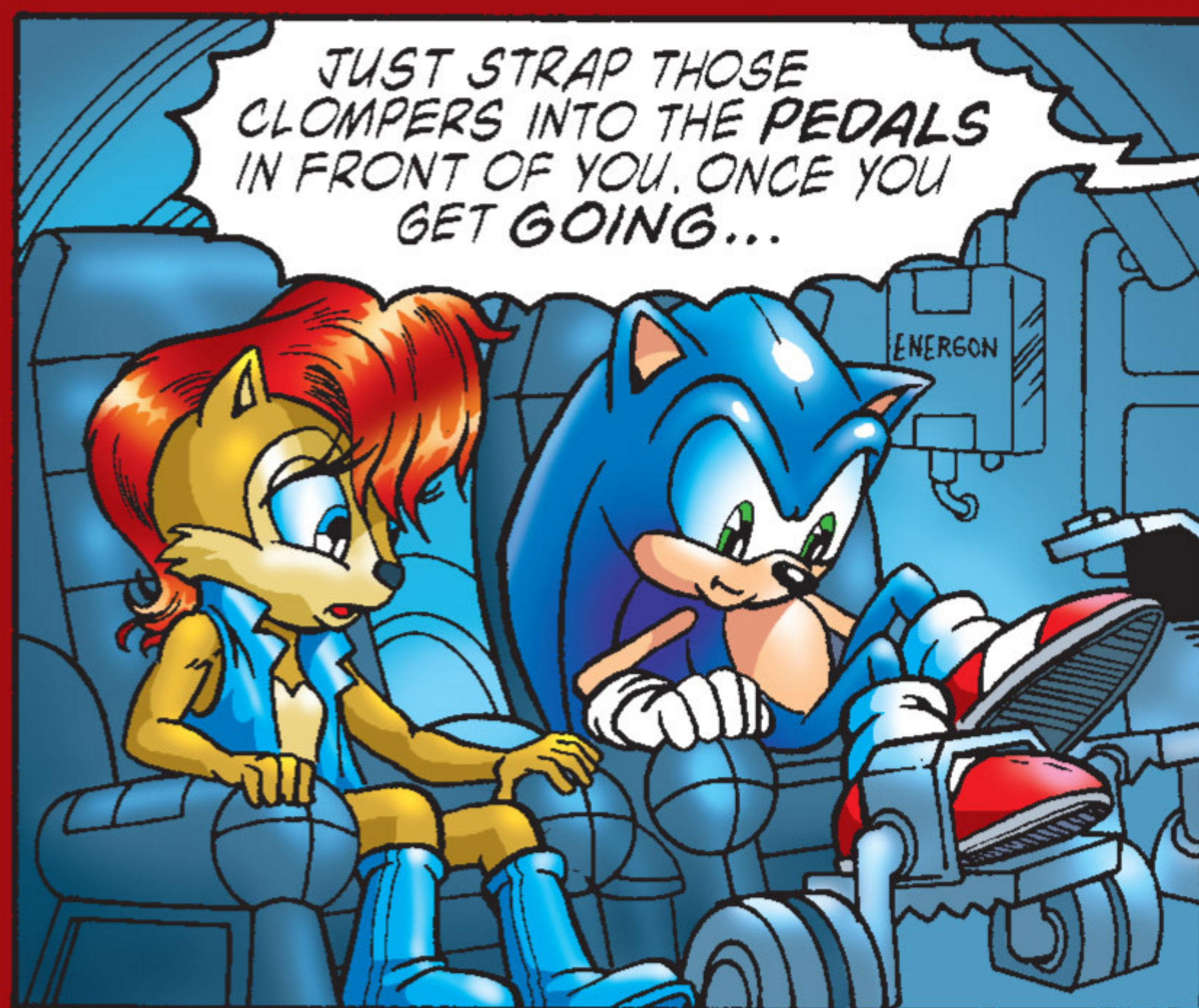
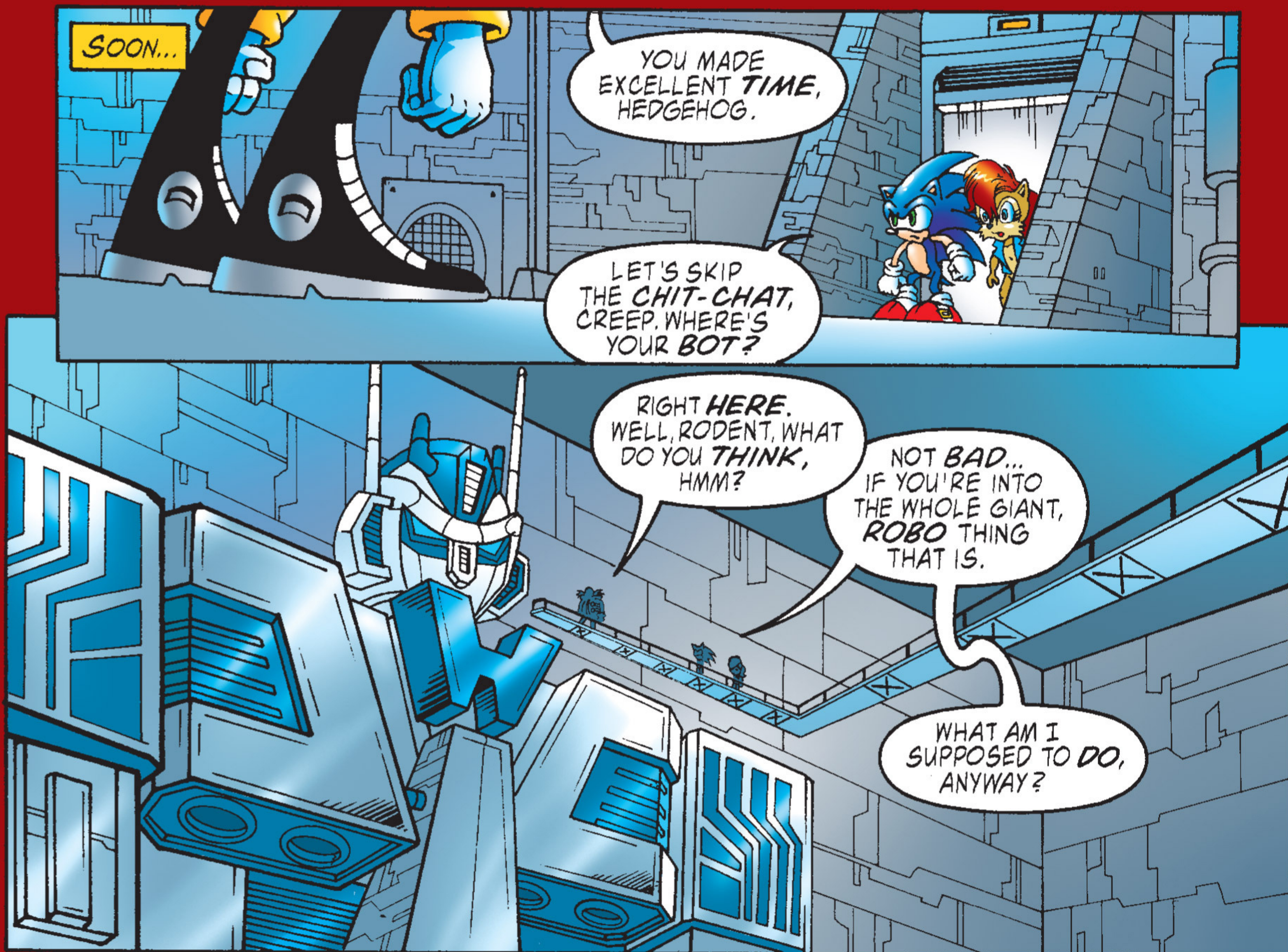
WELL, I'M OFF. BE BACK IN TIME FOR DINNER...

SONIC, WAIT. WHEREVER YOU GO, I GO. IF YOU FALL IN BATTLE, I REFUSE TO BE ANYWHERE ELSE...

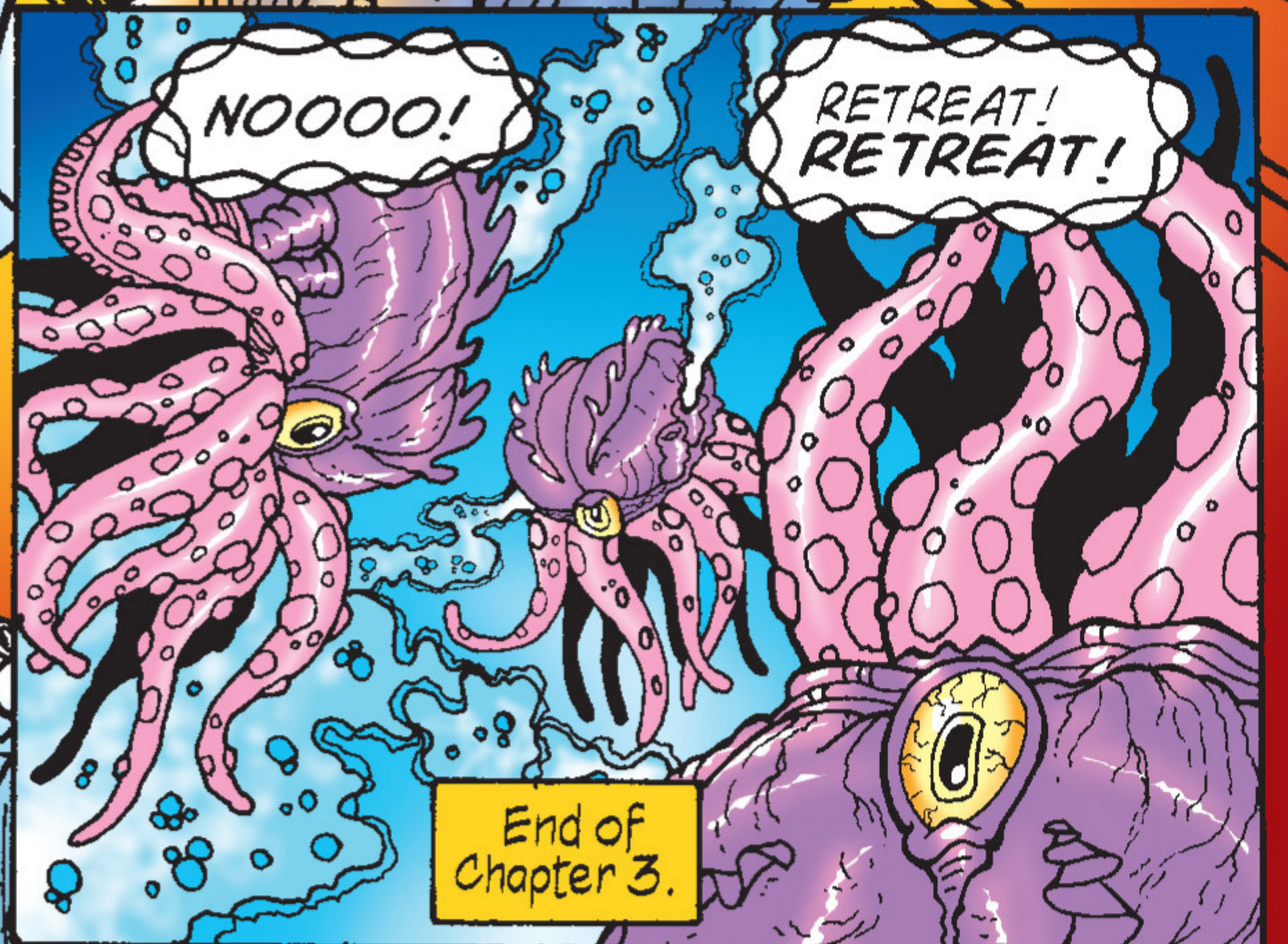
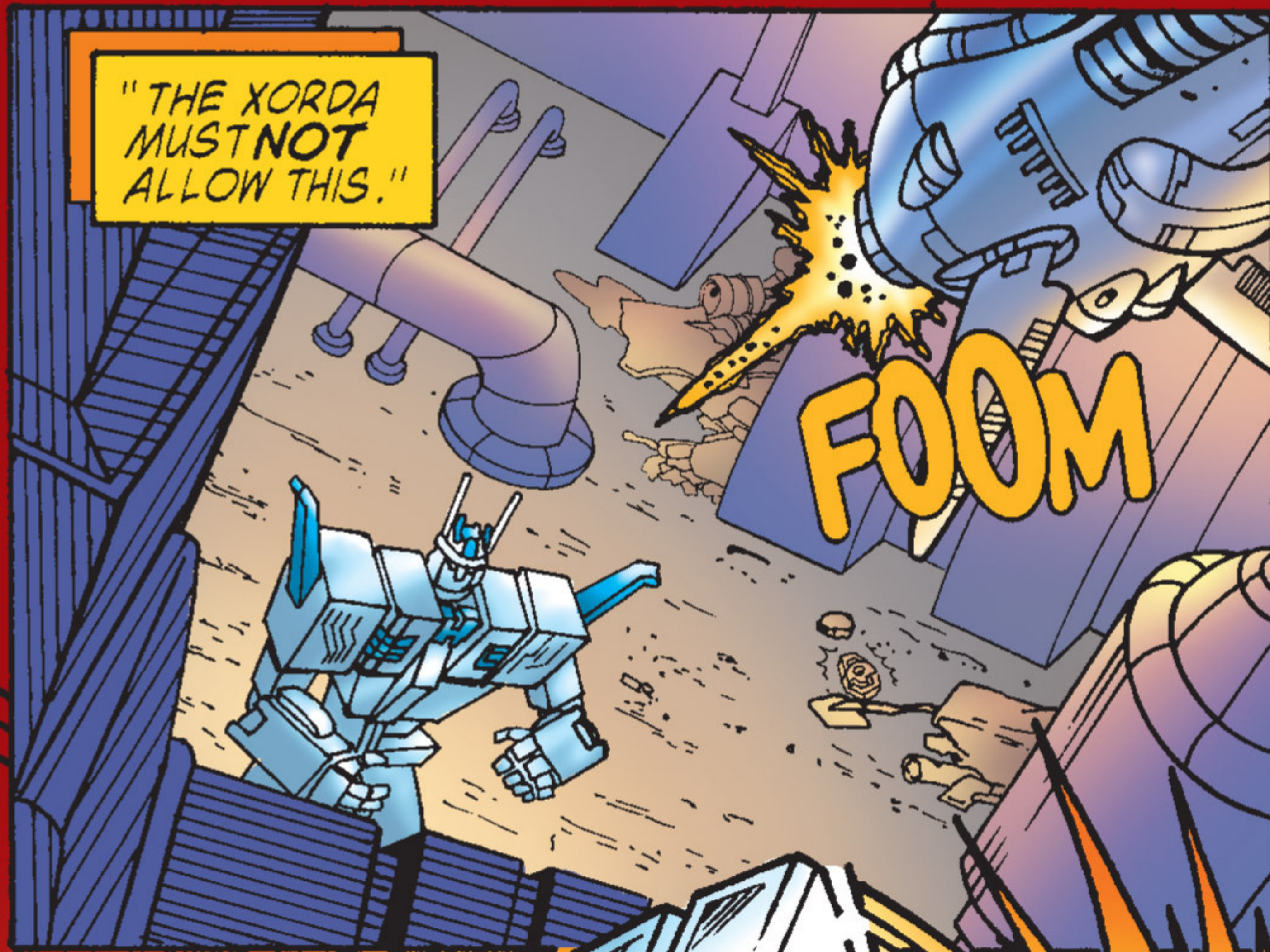
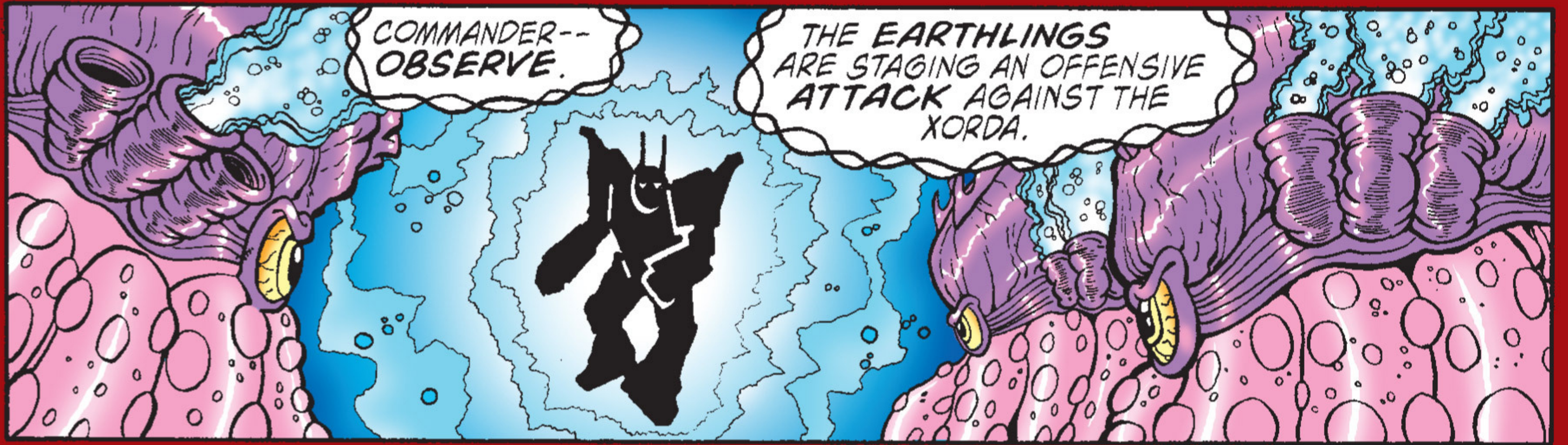


...OTHER THAN BY YOUR SIDE.





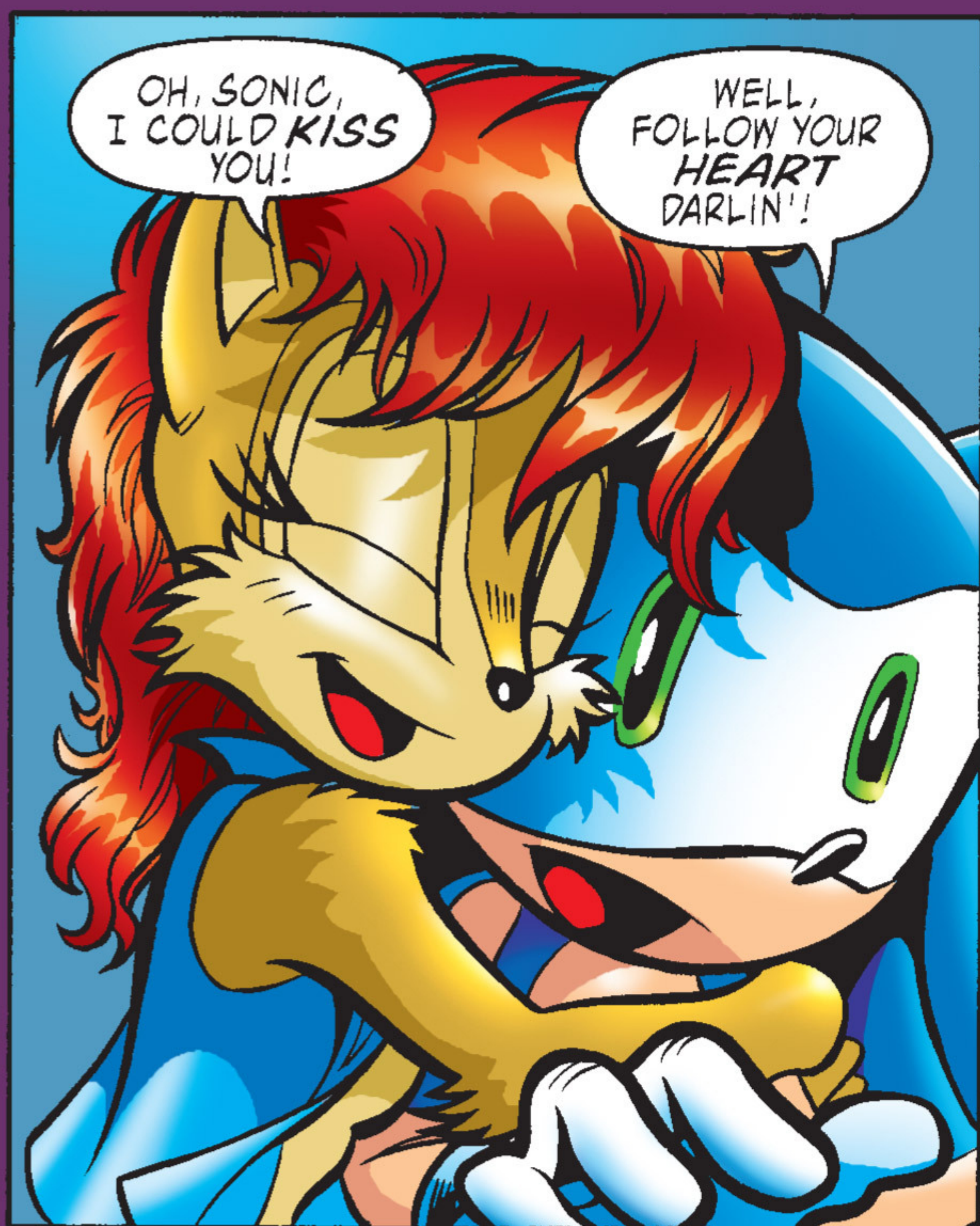






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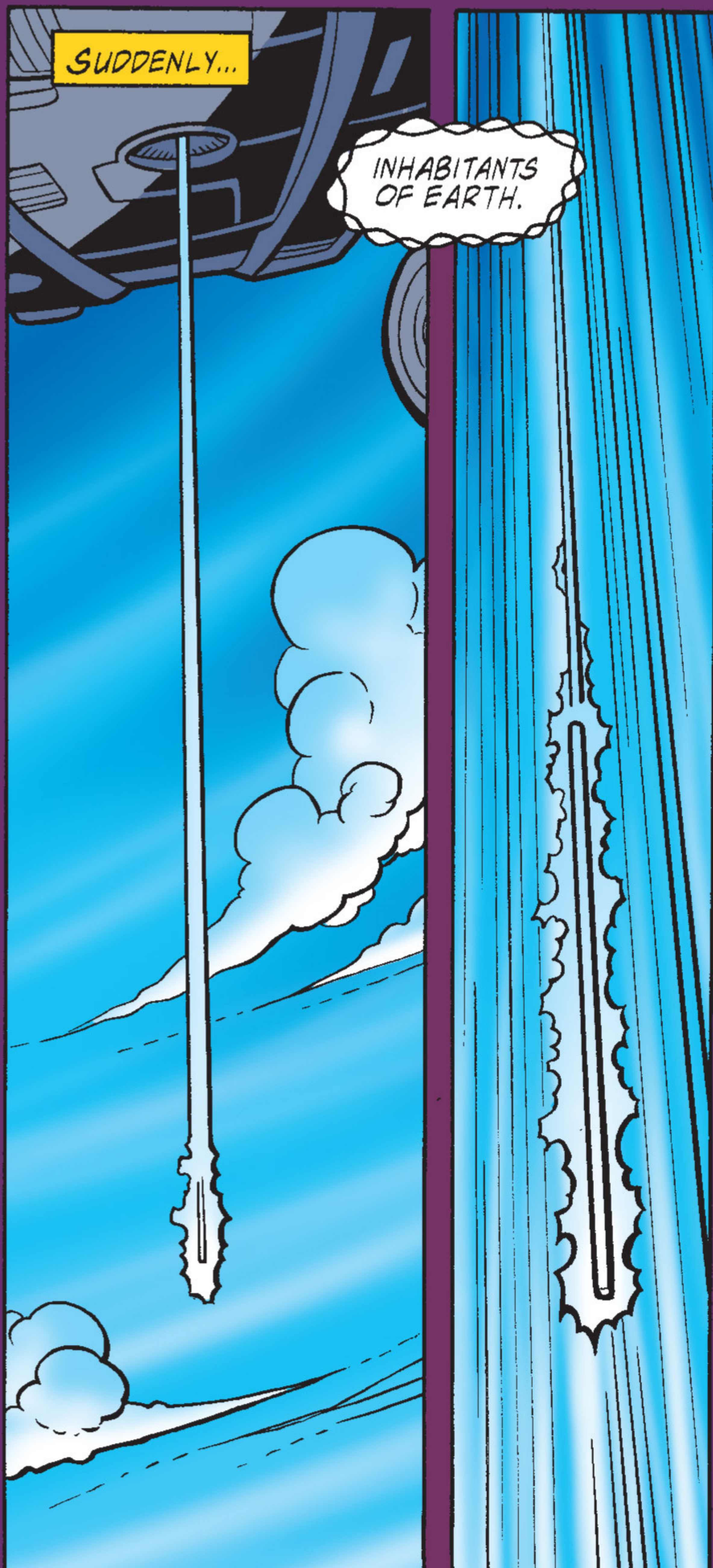


FOOLS! THE XORDA HAVE BEEN **DEFEATED**, AND I NO LONGER HAVE TO STICK TO MY **PROMISE**!

NOW, I CAN USE GIGA-BOT PRIME TO **CONQUER** MOBIUS!

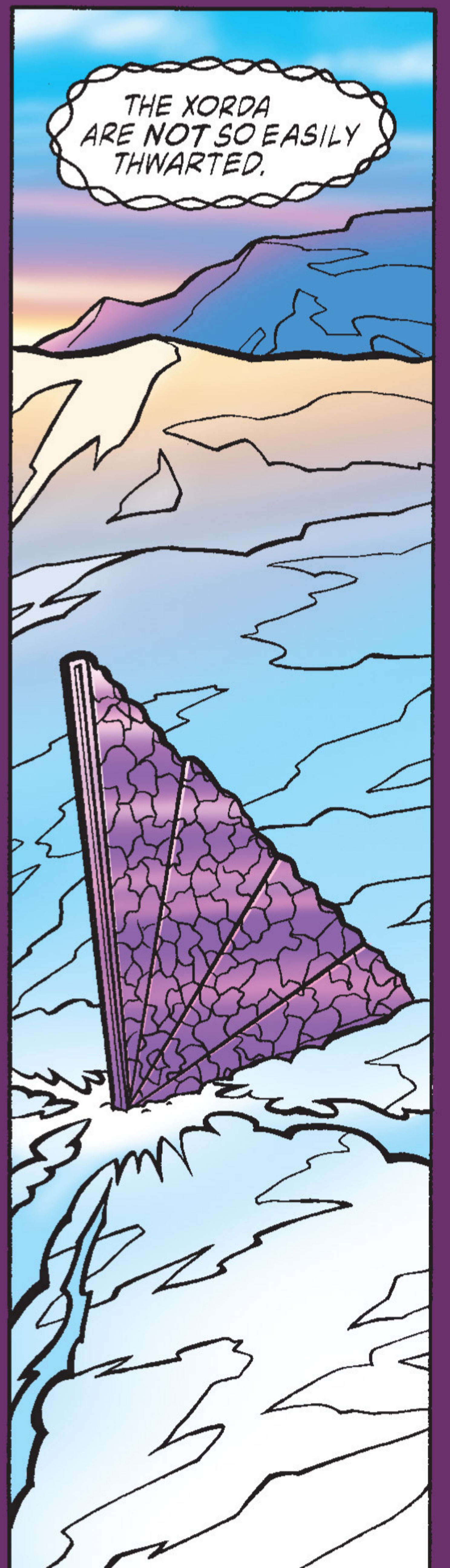


YOU'LL MAKE A FINE **BATTERY**, SONIC, UNTIL YOU STARVE TO **DEATH**, THAT IS.



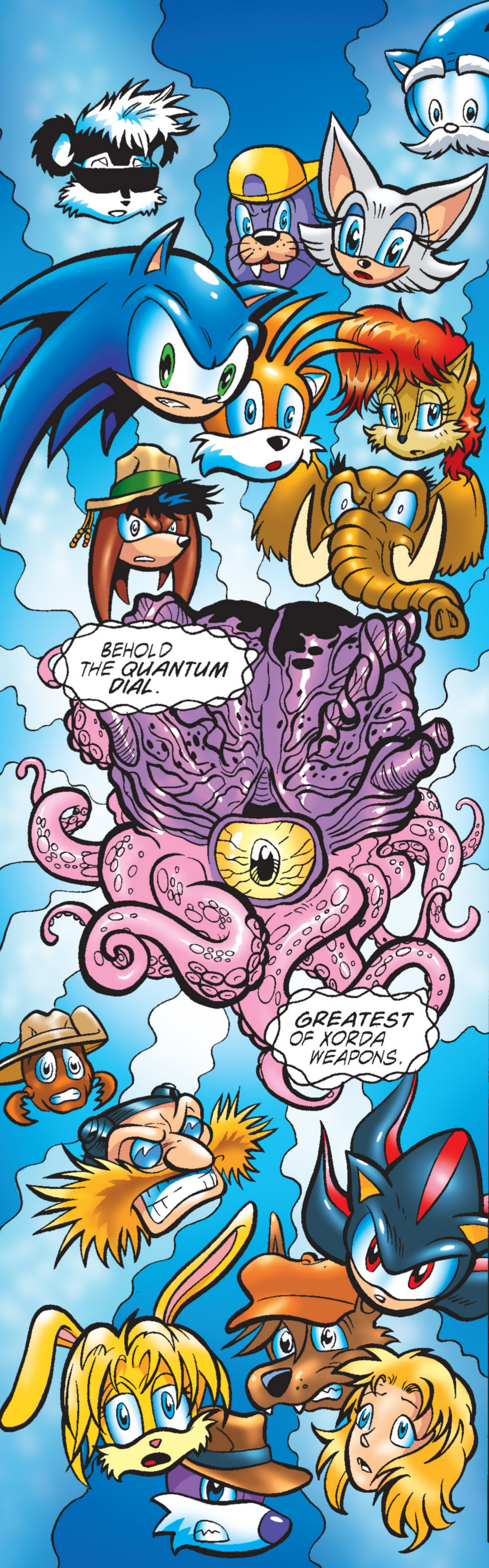
**SUDDENLY...**

INHABITANTS OF EARTH.



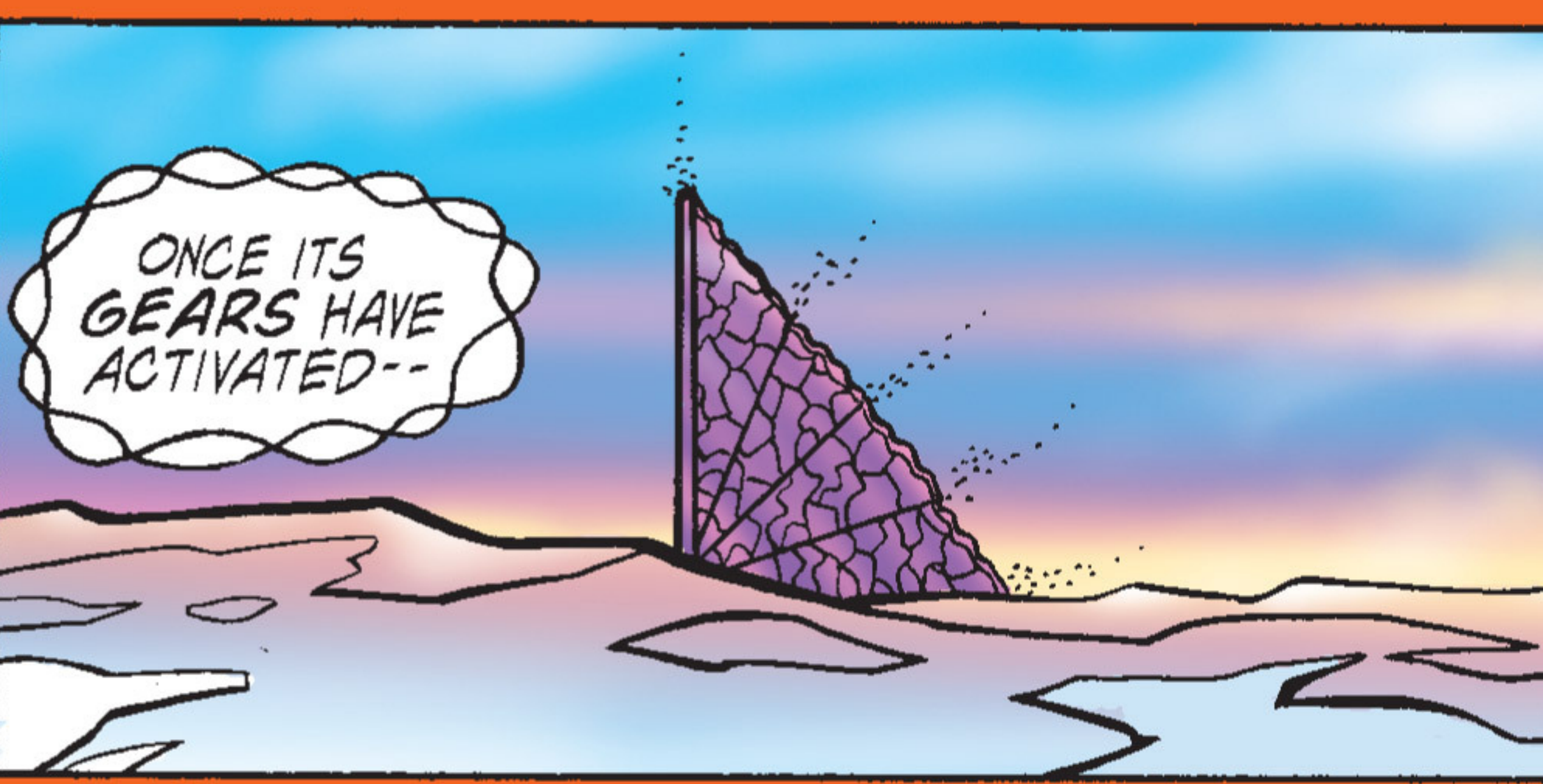
THE XORDA ARE NOT SO EASILY THWARTED.



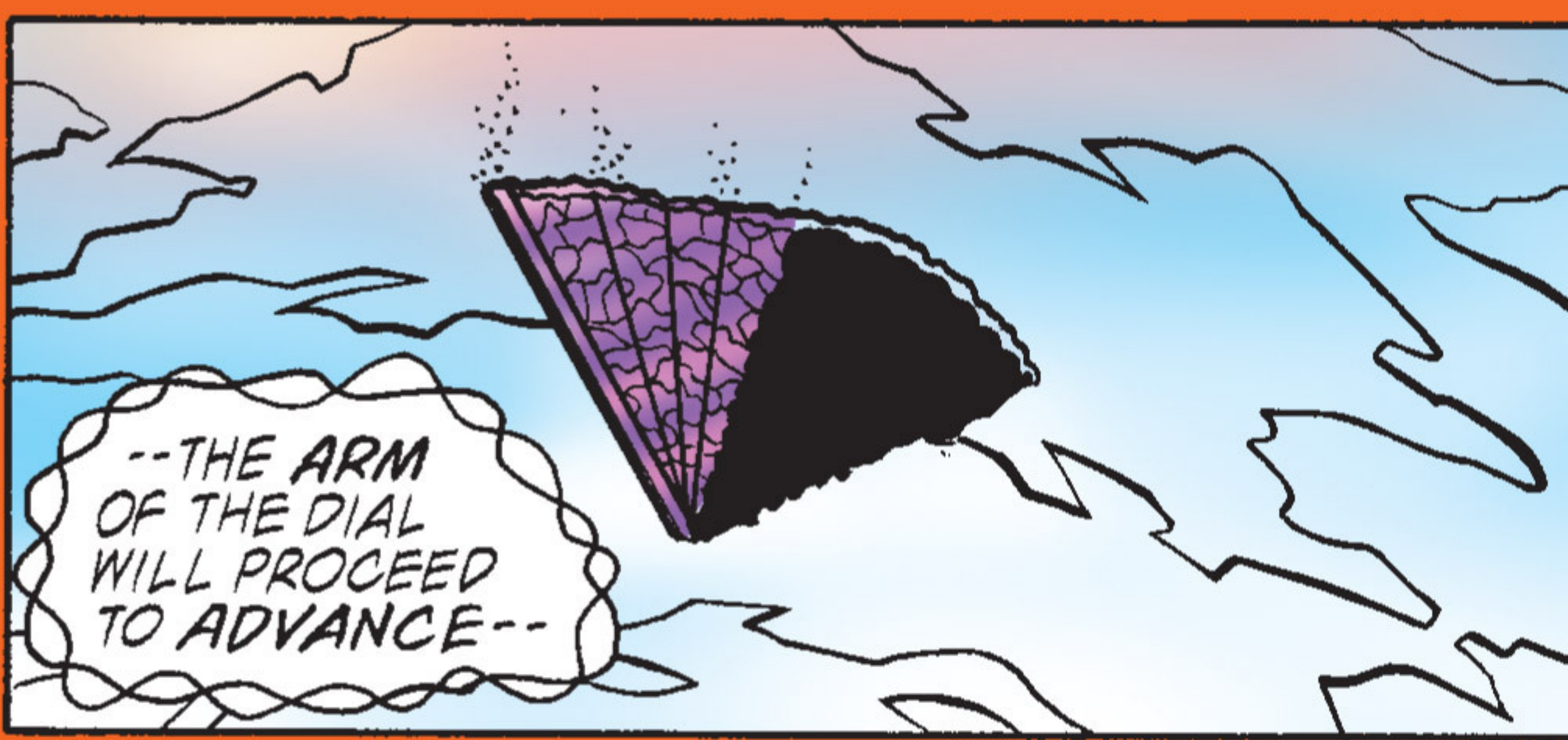


BEHOLD  
THE QUANTUM  
DIAL.

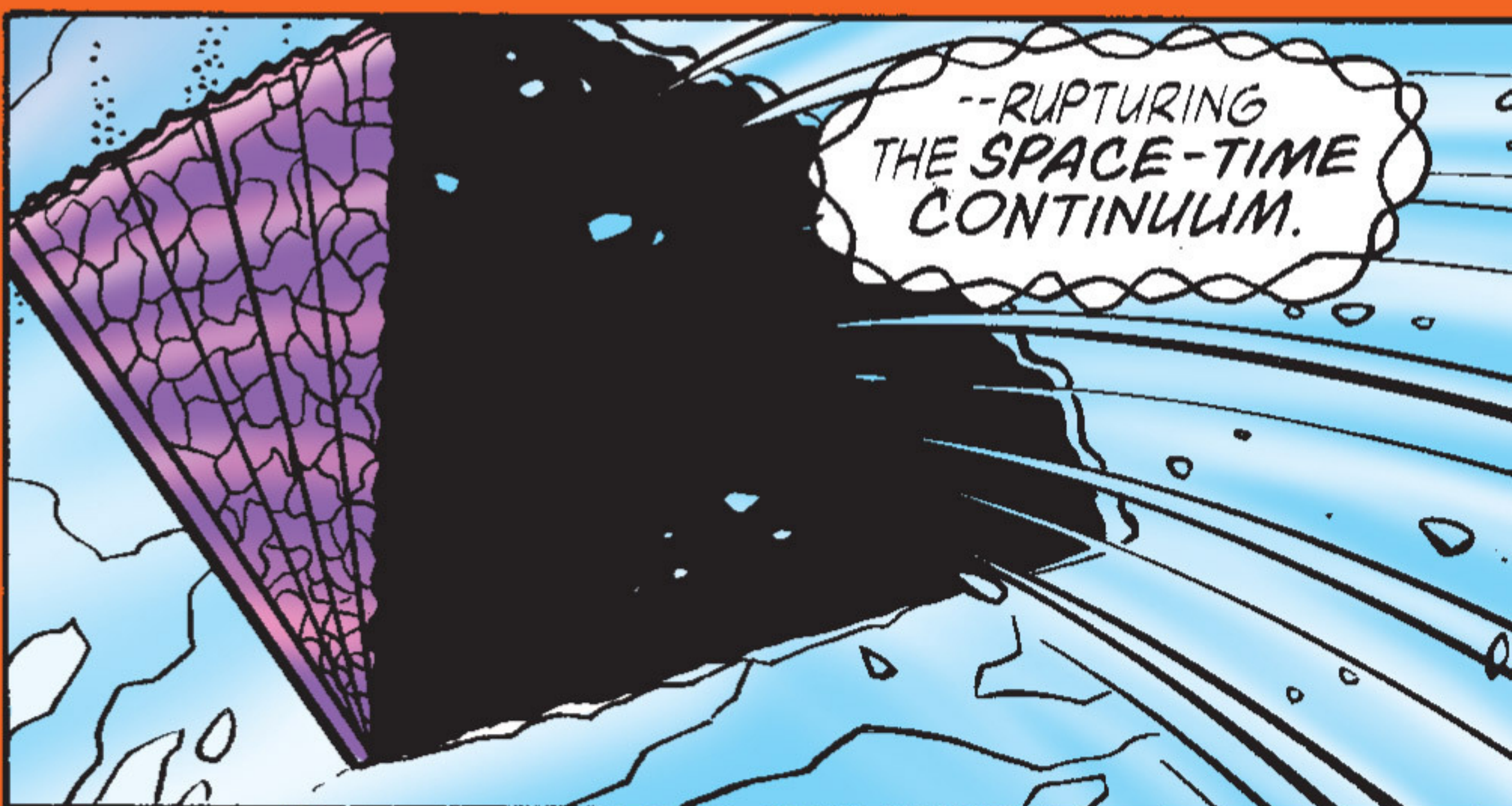
GREATEST  
OF XORDA  
WEAPONS.



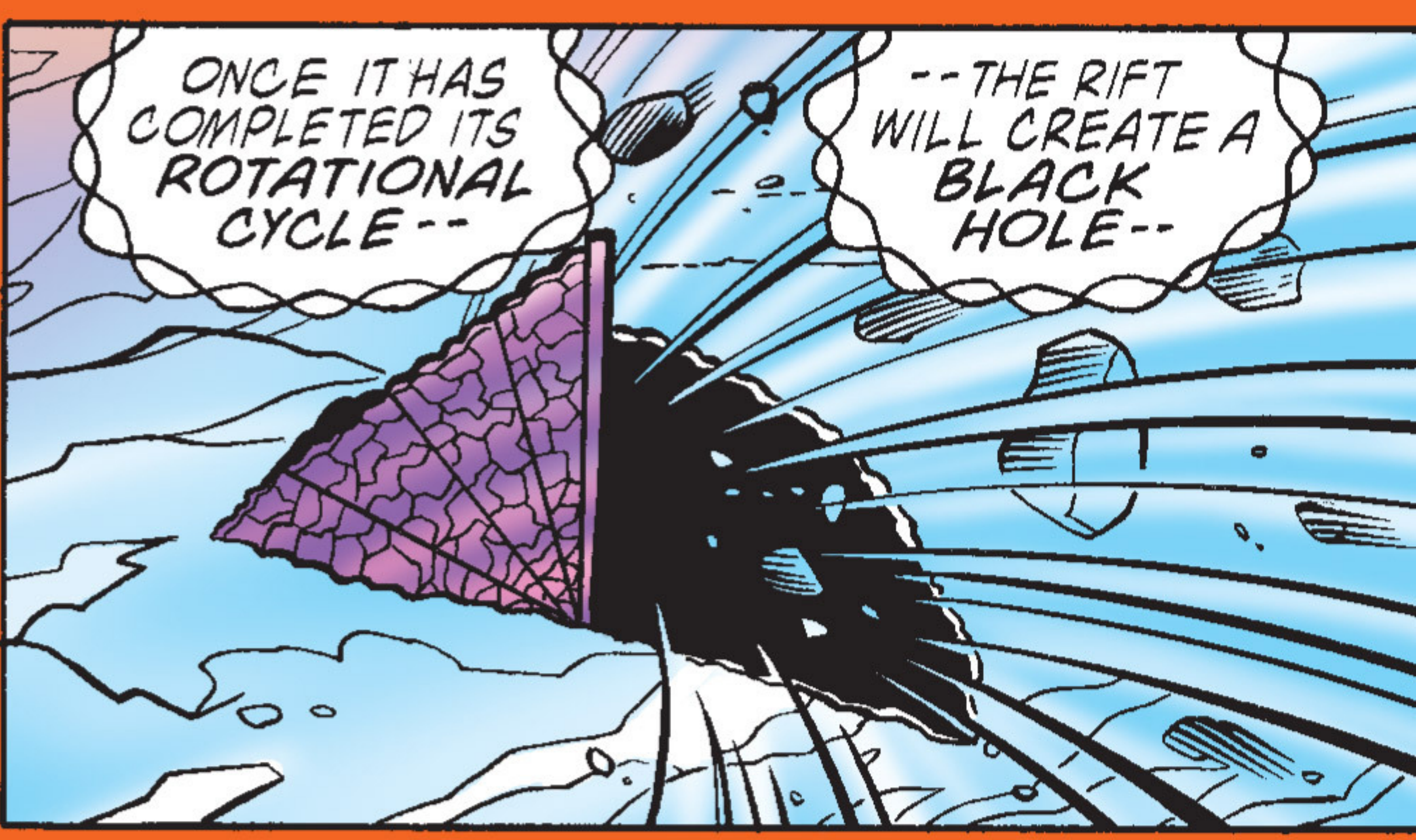
ONCE ITS  
GEARS HAVE  
ACTIVATED--



--THE ARM  
OF THE DIAL  
WILL PROCEED  
TO ADVANCE--

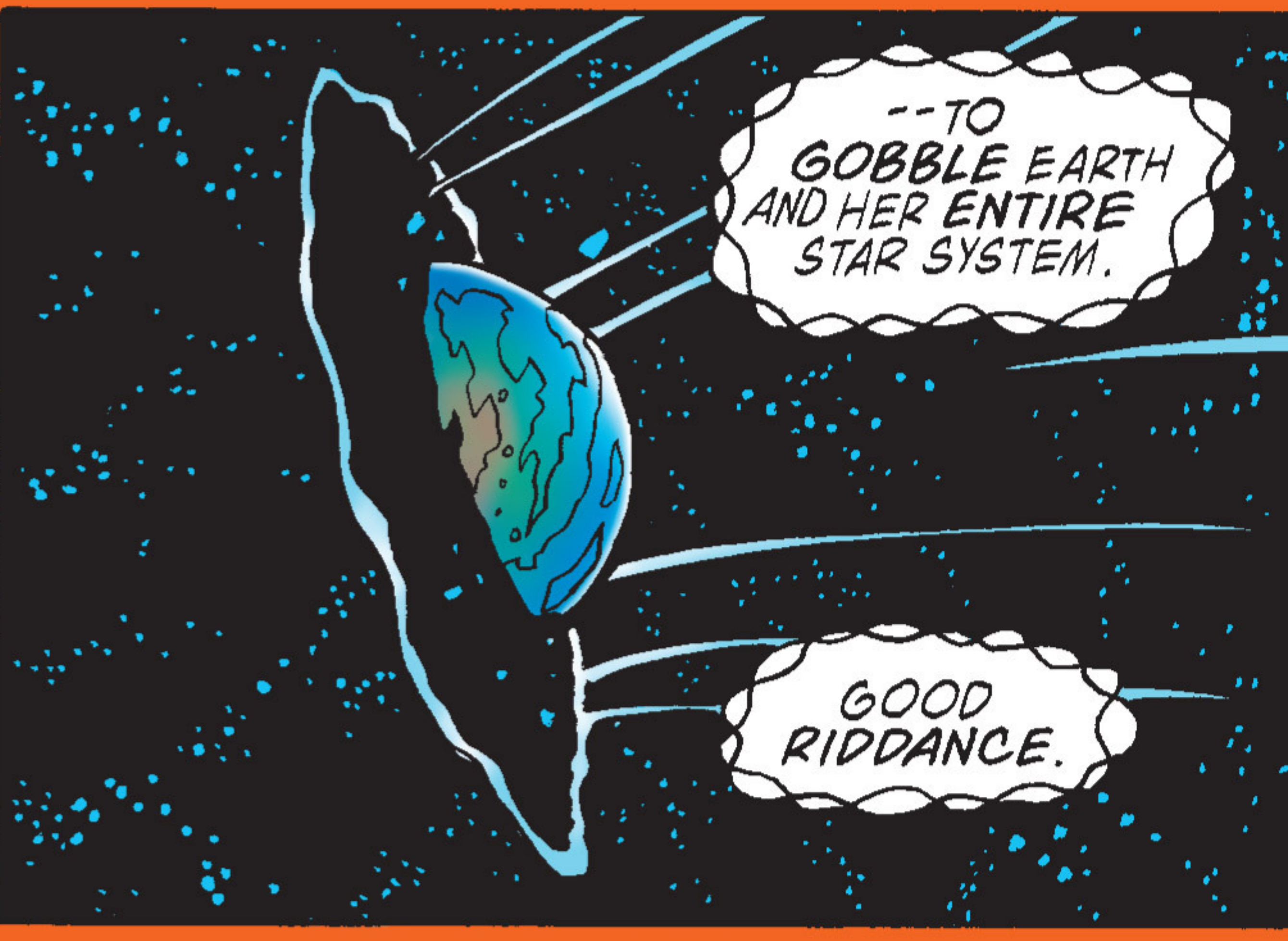


--RUPTURING  
THE SPACE-TIME  
CONTINUUM.



ONCE IT HAS  
COMPLETED ITS  
ROTATIONAL  
CYCLE--

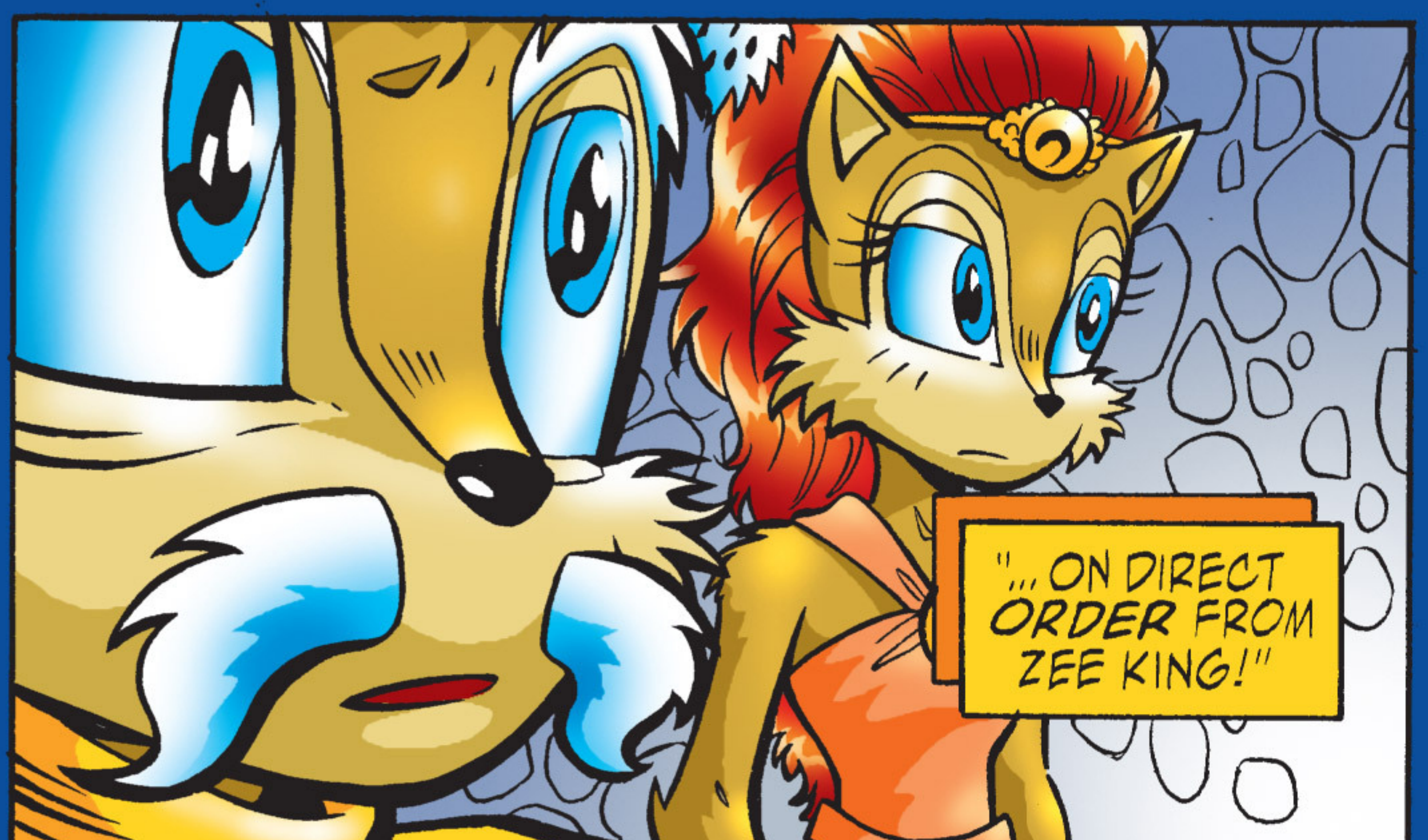
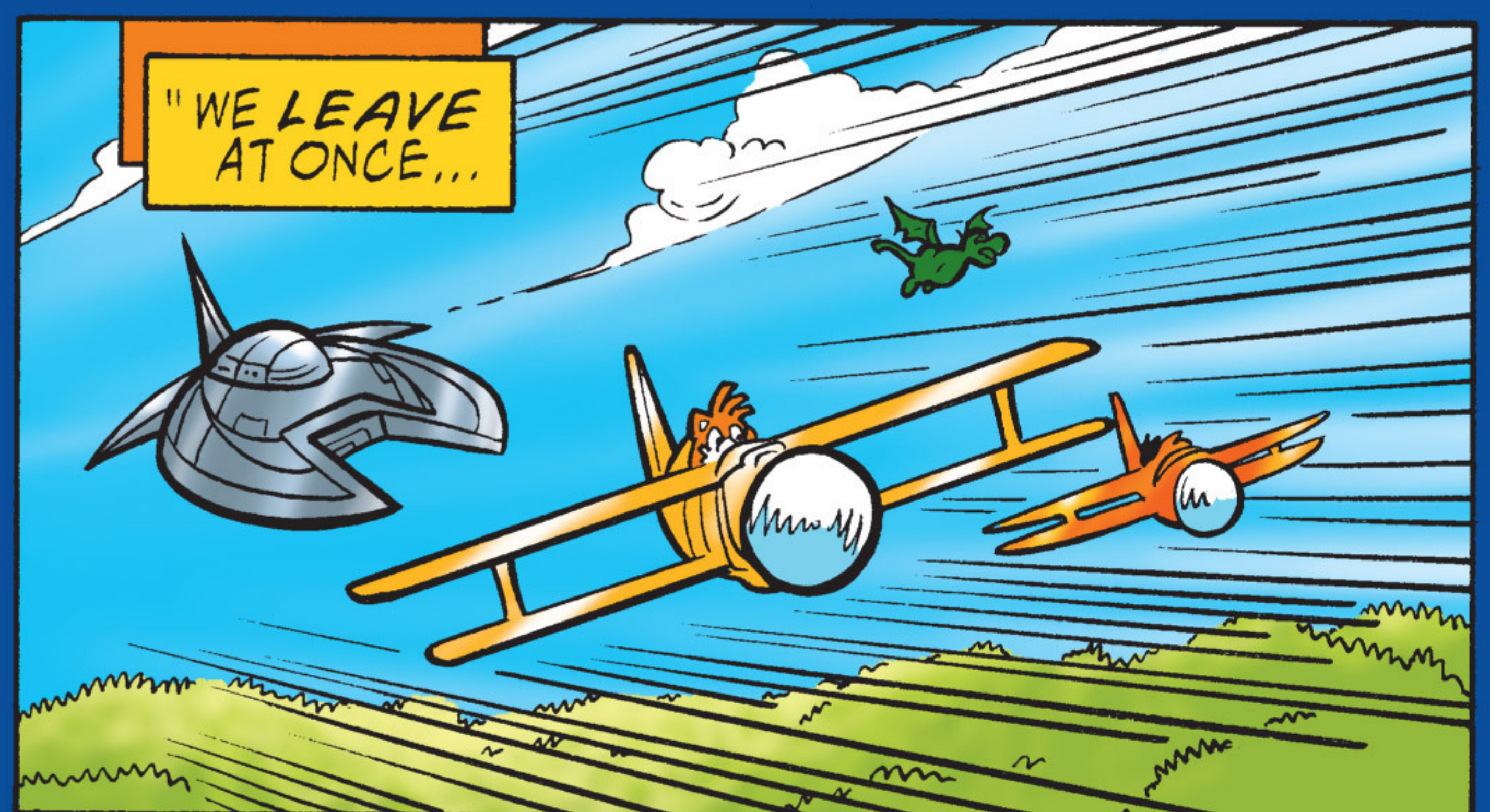
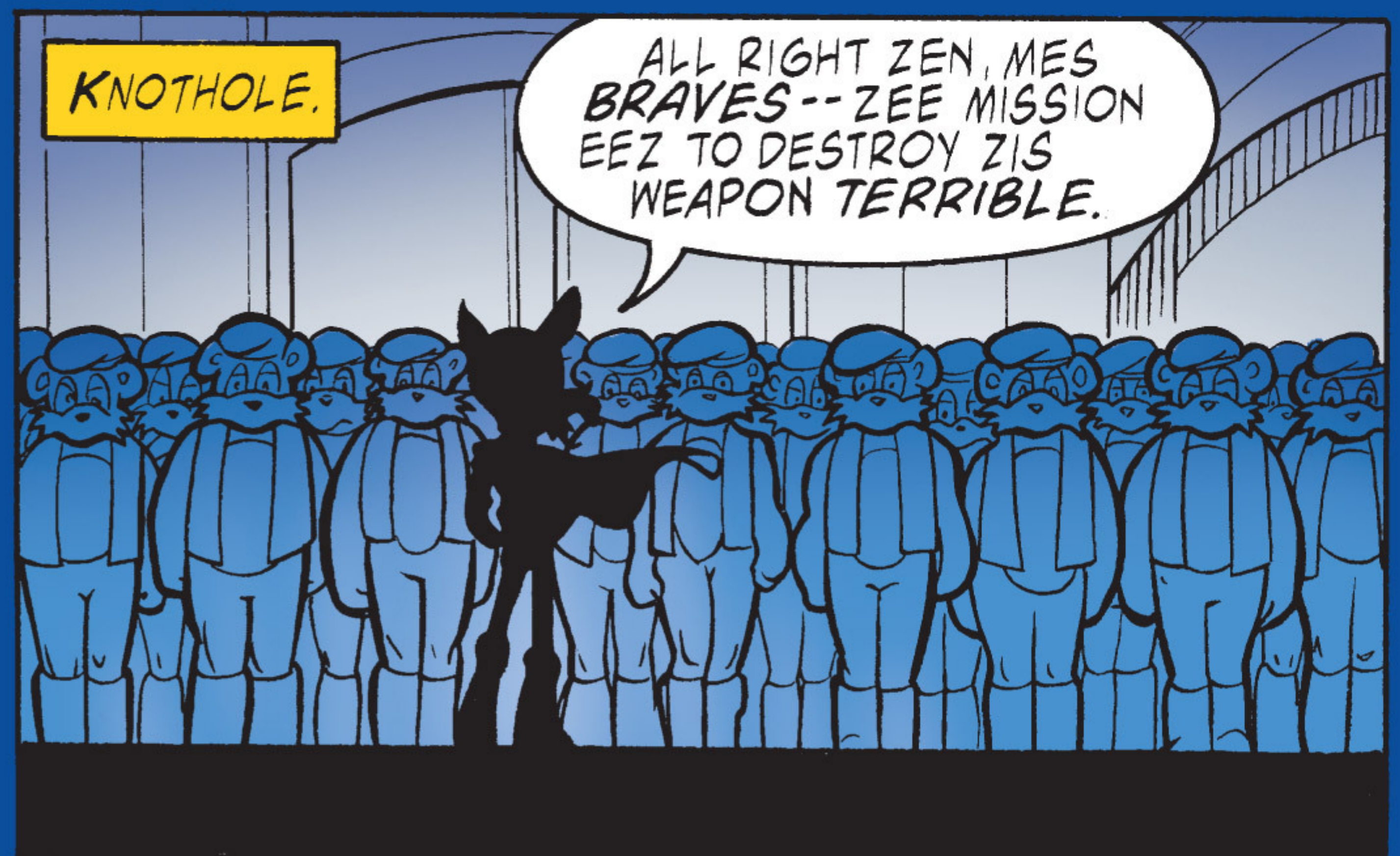
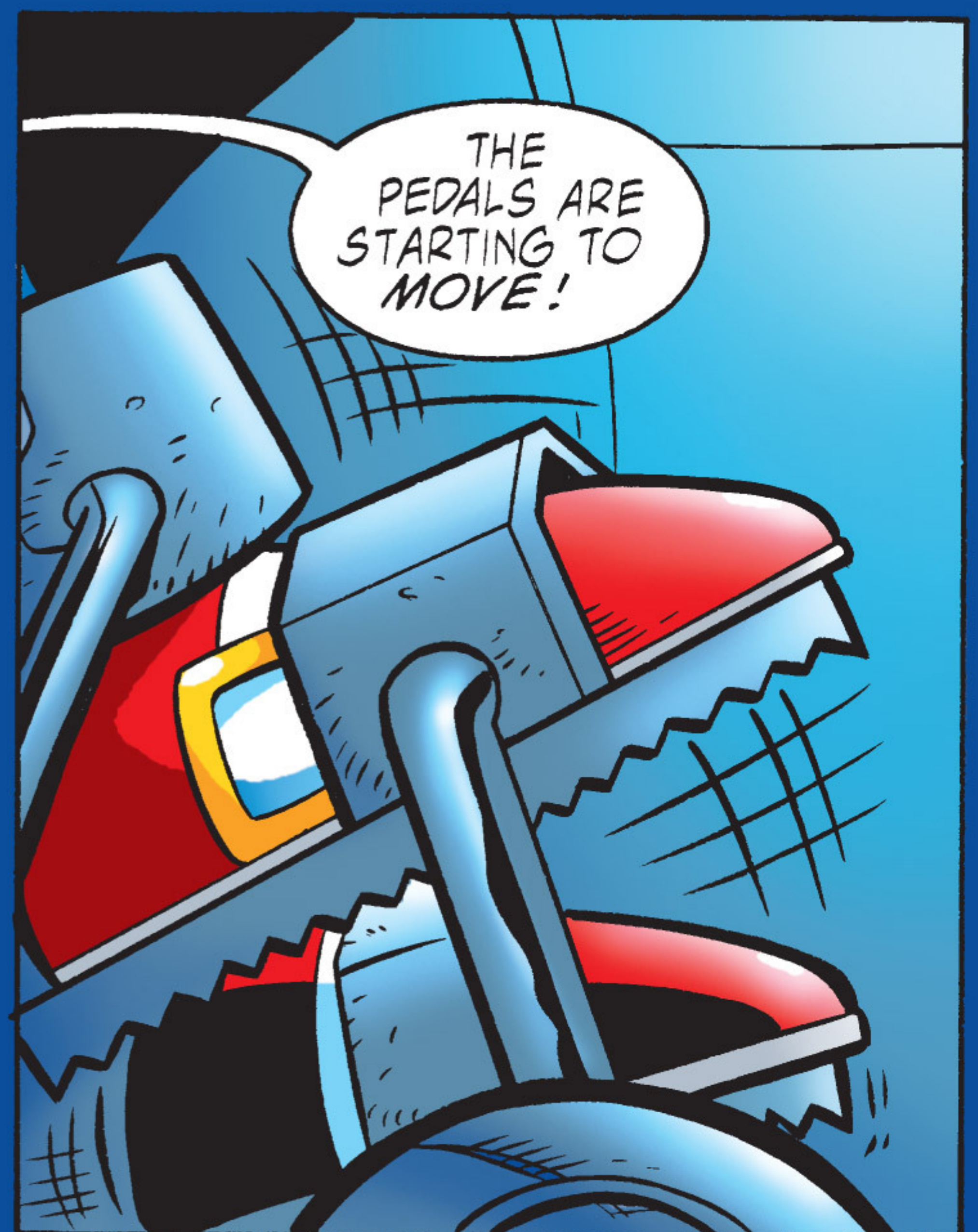
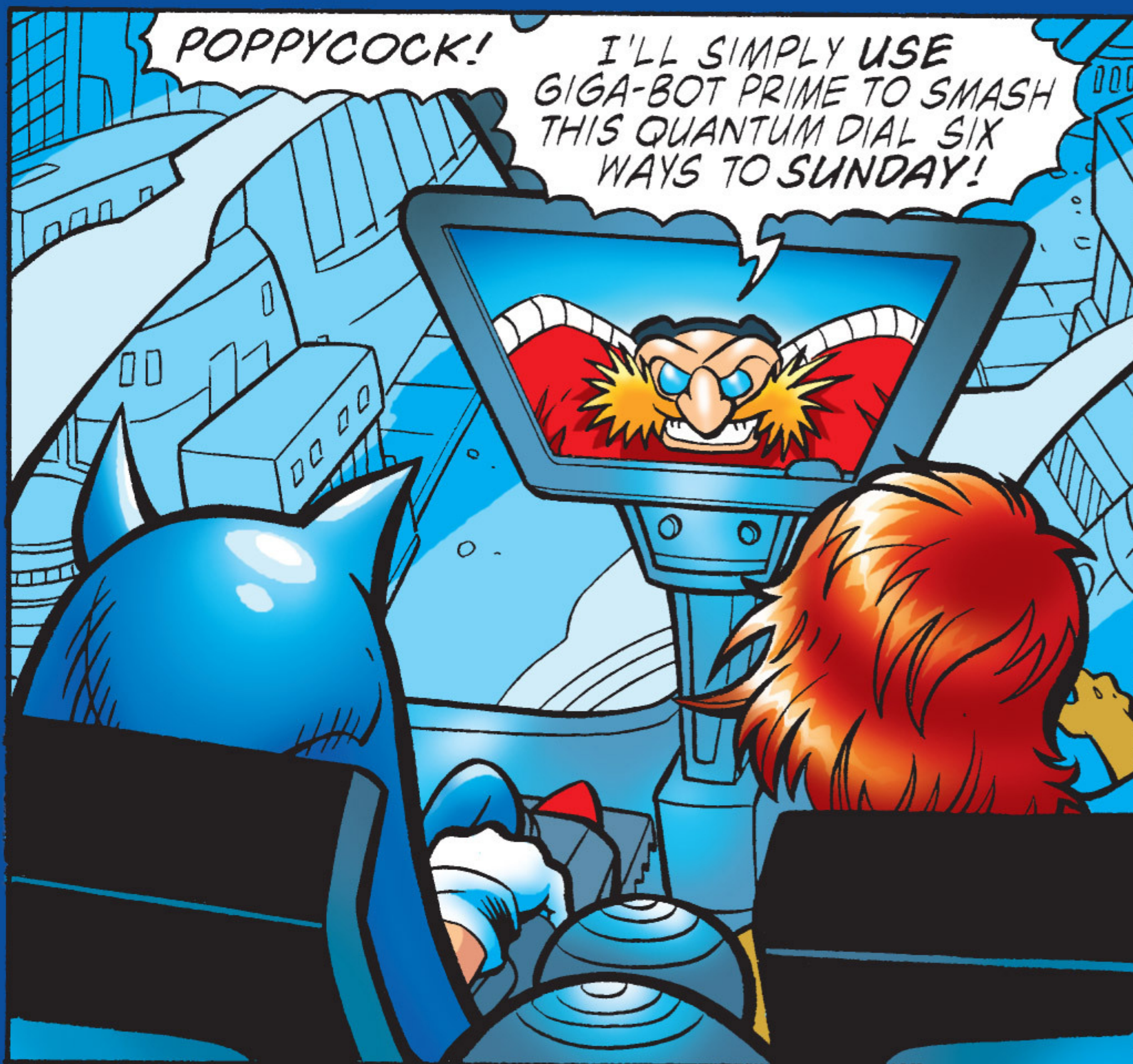
--THE RIFT  
WILL CREATE A  
BLACK  
HOLE--



--TO  
GOBBLE EARTH  
AND HER ENTIRE  
STAR SYSTEM.

GOOD  
RIDDANCE.







MEANWHILE...

IT'S NOT TRUE, AURORA, IS IT? SOME OF US DO GET A SECOND CHANCE AT LIFE.

I GAINED THAT KNOWLEDGE DURING MY BRIEF TIME MERGED WITH THE CHAOS FORCE.

A SECOND CHANCE IS POSSIBLE, IF ONE IS WORTHY.

ATHAIR!

AND YOU ARE MORE THAN THAT, KNUCKLES.

THEN THAT SETTLES IT. I'M GOING BACK TO MOBIUS TO HELP IN THE BATTLE!

HOW DO I GET THERE?

KNUCKLES, I BESEECH YOU, HEAR ME OUT! YOU HAVE A GREATER PURPOSE, A HIGHER CALLING WITHIN THE COSMIC DESIGN. DON'T SQUANDER IT.

IF YOU TURN YOUR BACK ON THIS, THE CHANGE IS IRREVERSIBLE, AND YOUR PLACE WITHIN THE NATURAL ORDER WILL BE FOREVER DENIED.

BUT, MY FRIENDS--

WILL EVENTUALLY DIE, NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO. THAT IS THE PAIN OF EXISTENCE.

DON'T BE FOOLISH, OR WORSE YET, SELFISH.

IF I SAVE MY LOVED ONES, HOW IS THAT SELFISH? ATHAIR, I NEED TO GET BACK TO MOBIUS-- NOW!

THE POWER IS WITHIN YOU, BUT IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO PREDICT HOW IT WILL BE AFFECTED ONCE YOU RETURN.

THAT'S A RISK I'M WILLING TO TAKE!

HOW CAN HE GIVE UP THE CHANCE TO BE CLOAKED WITHIN THE VERY FABRIC OF ETERNITY? TO UNLOCK THE SECRETS OF THE UNIVERSE?

WEREN'T YOU EVER SIXTEEN?

DAWN BEST-PENCILS-  
THE RAYS-INKS-

End of  
Chapter 4





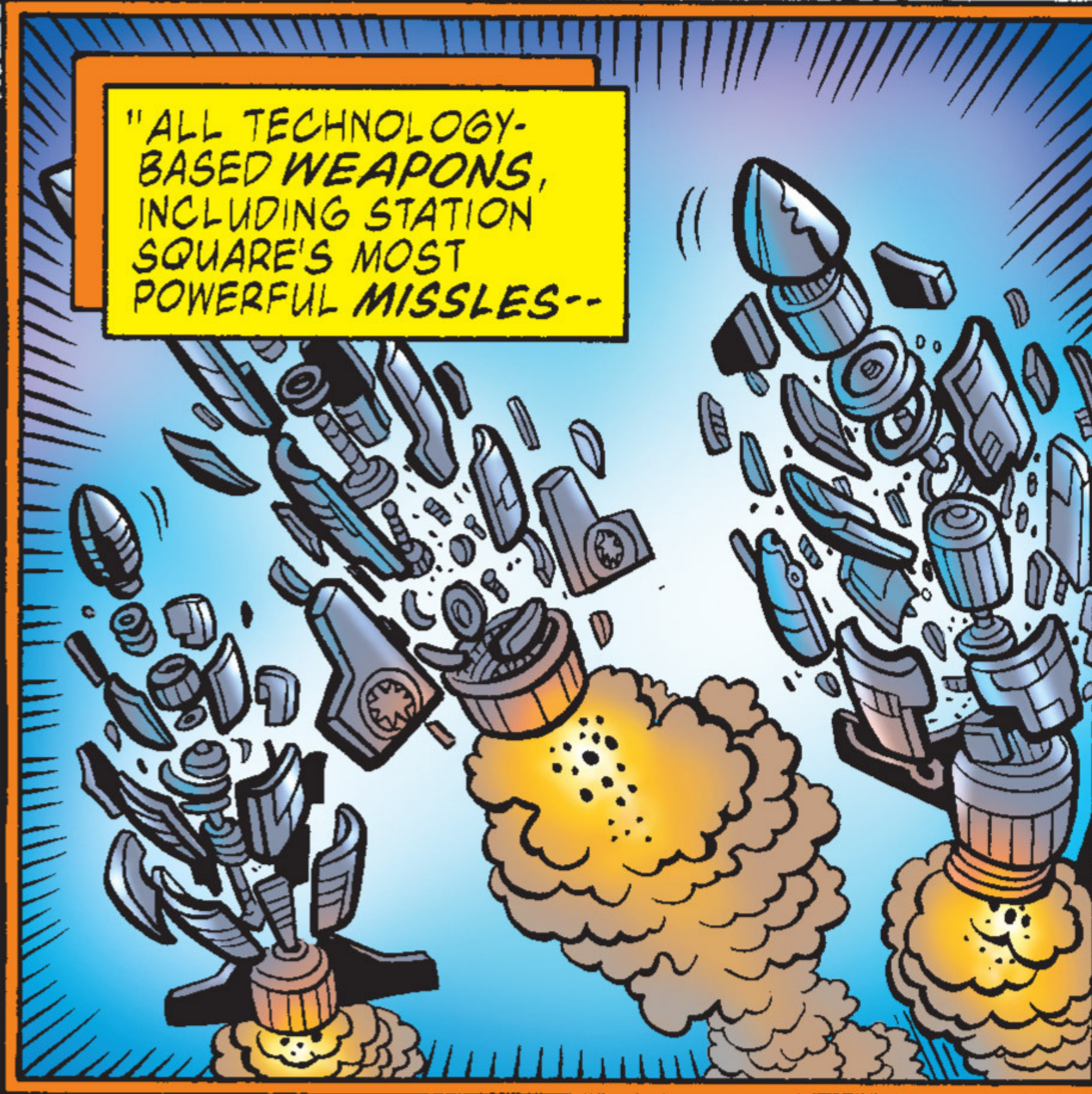
SOUTHERN TUNDRA...

"THIS QUANTUM DIAL  
MUST POSSESS AN  
AUTOMATED DEFENSE  
SYSTEM AROUND ITS  
ENTIRE PERIMETER."

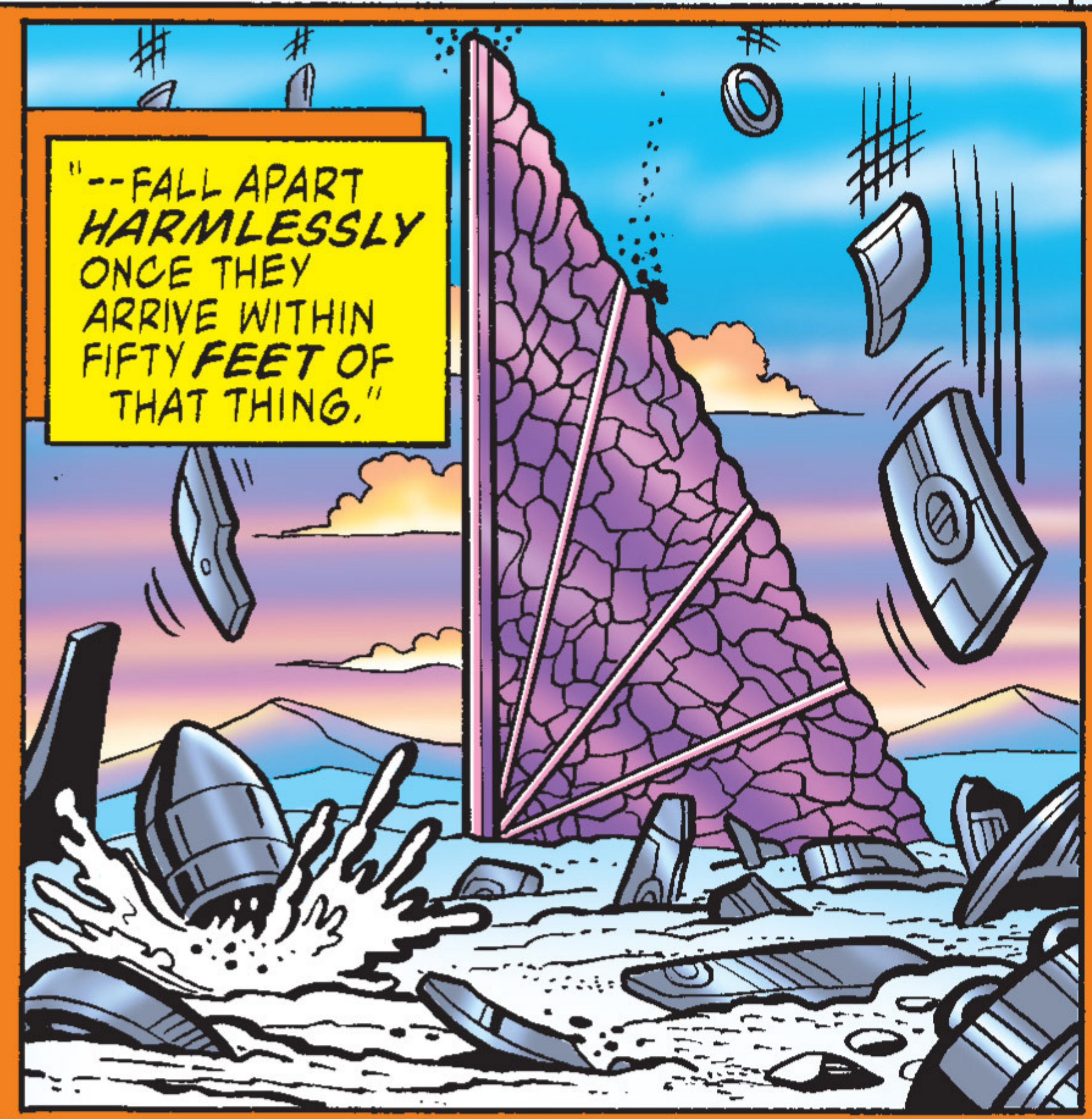
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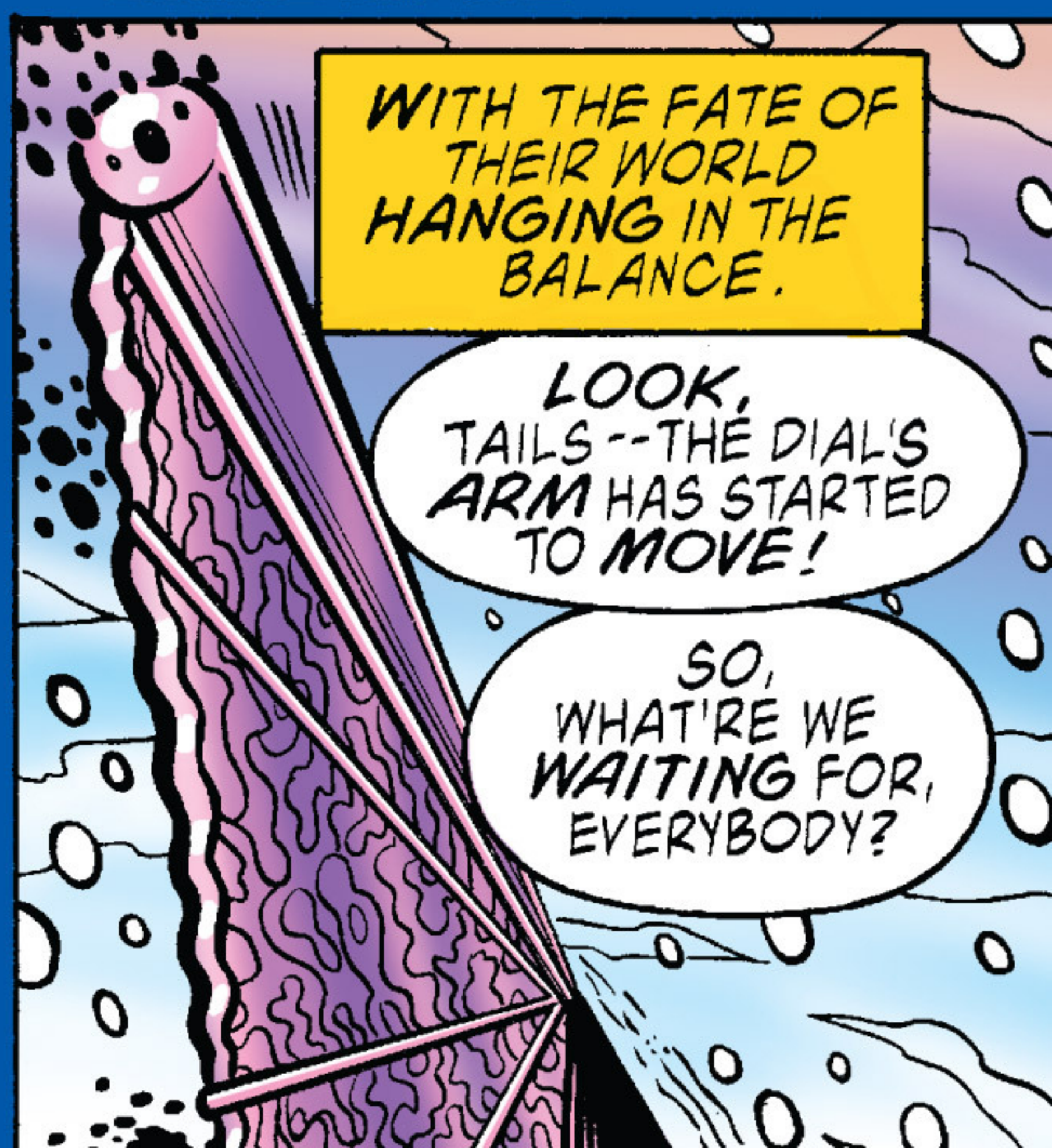
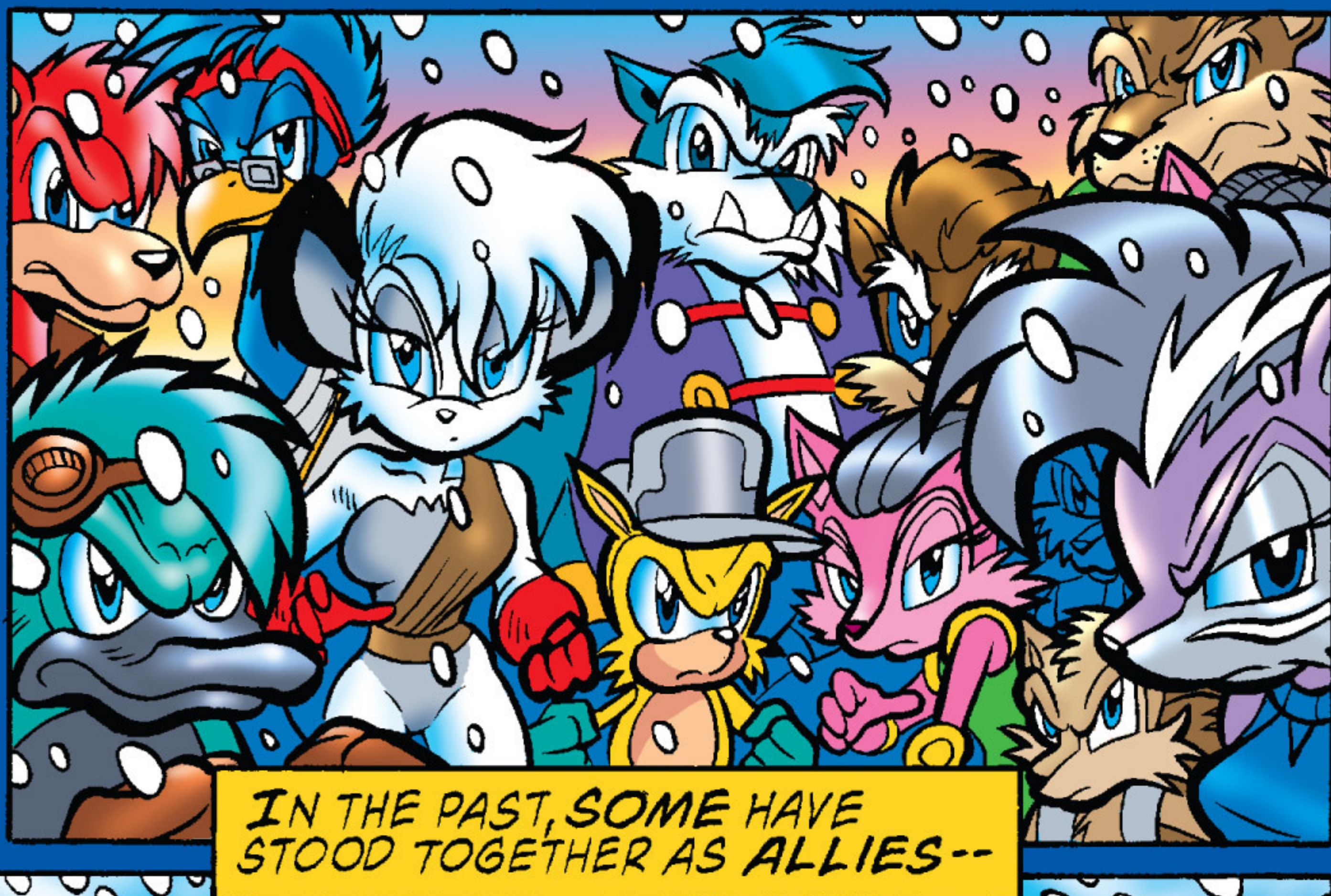


"ALL TECHNOLOGY-BASED WEAPONS,  
INCLUDING STATION  
SQUARE'S MOST  
POWERFUL MISSILES--"



"--FALL APART  
HARMLESSLY  
ONCE THEY  
ARRIVE WITHIN  
FIFTY FEET OF  
THAT THING."





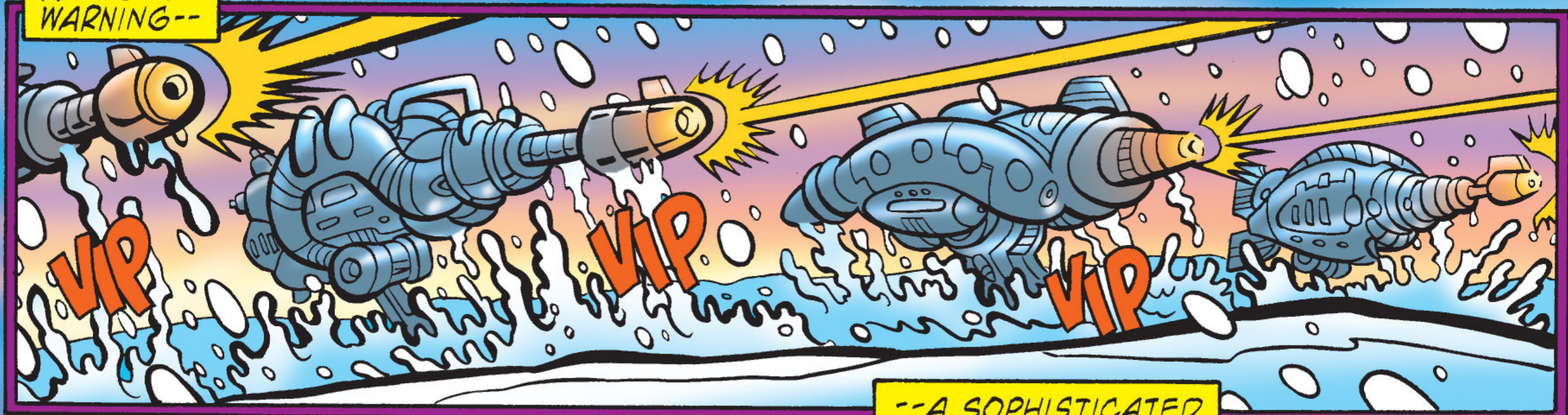




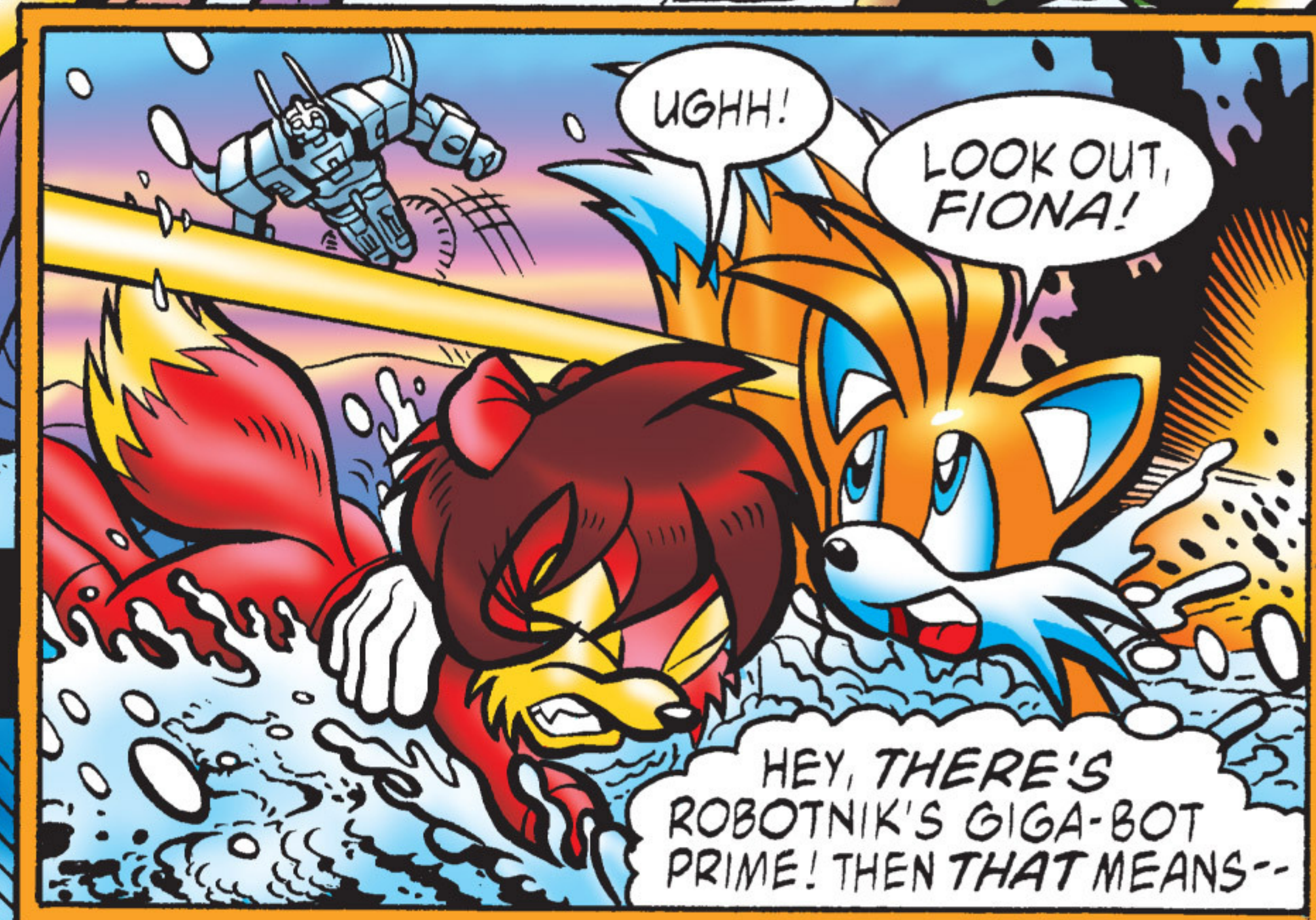
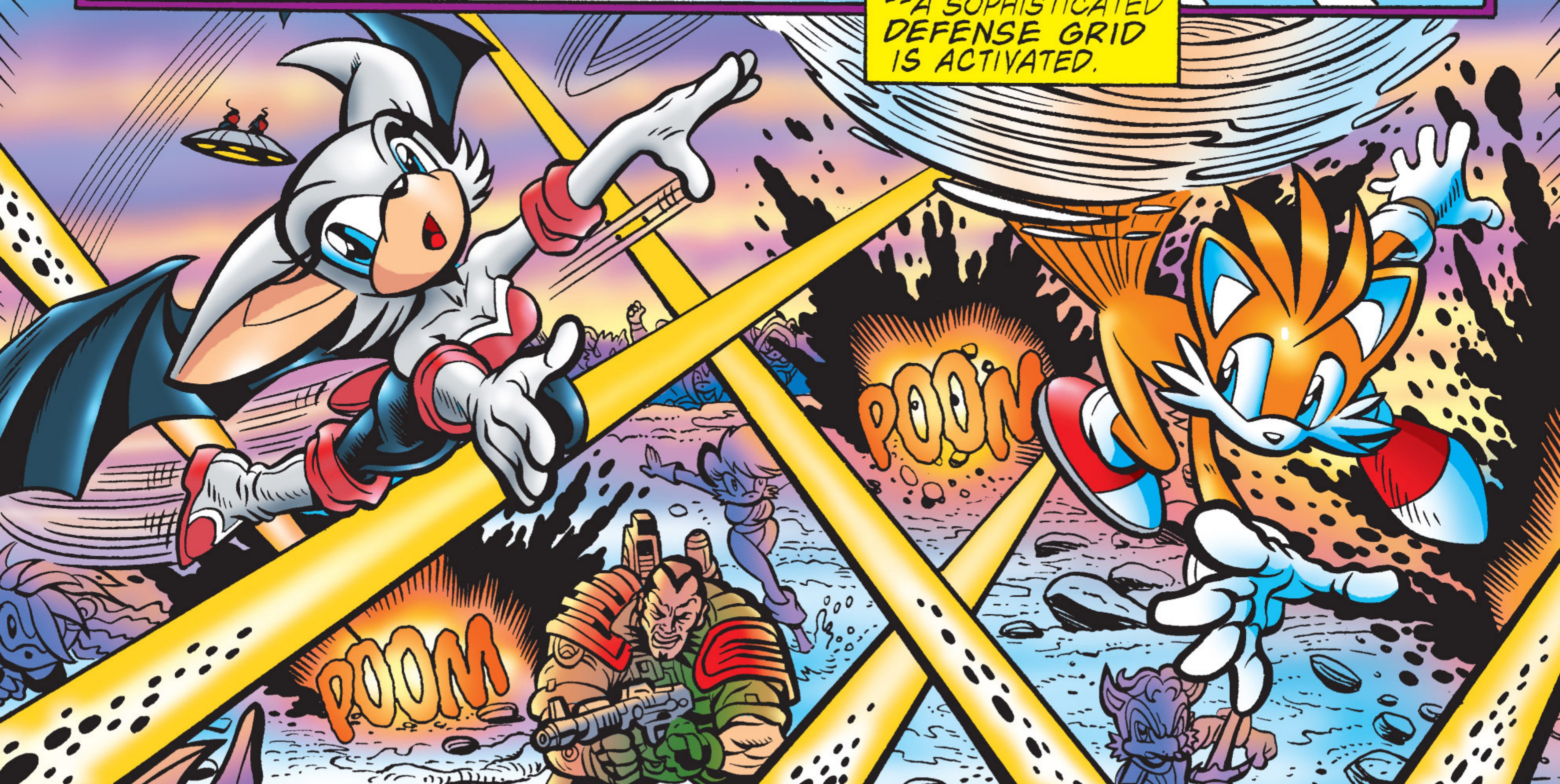
LET'S  
DO IT TO  
IT!



WITHOUT  
WARNING--



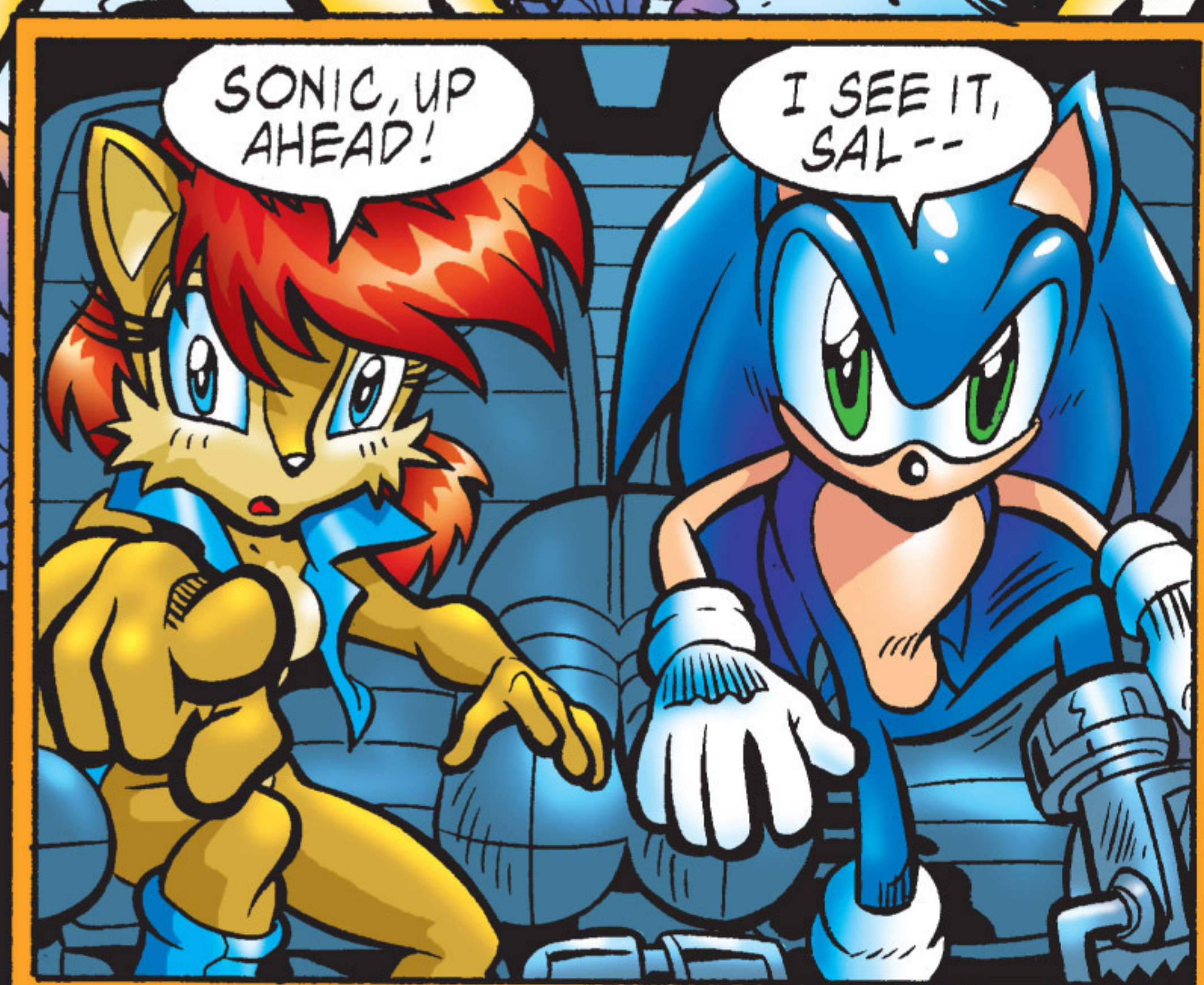
--A SOPHISTICATED  
DEFENSE GRID  
IS ACTIVATED.



UGHH!

LOOK OUT,  
FIONA!

HEY, THERE'S  
ROBOTNIK'S GIGA-BOT  
PRIME! THEN THAT MEANS--

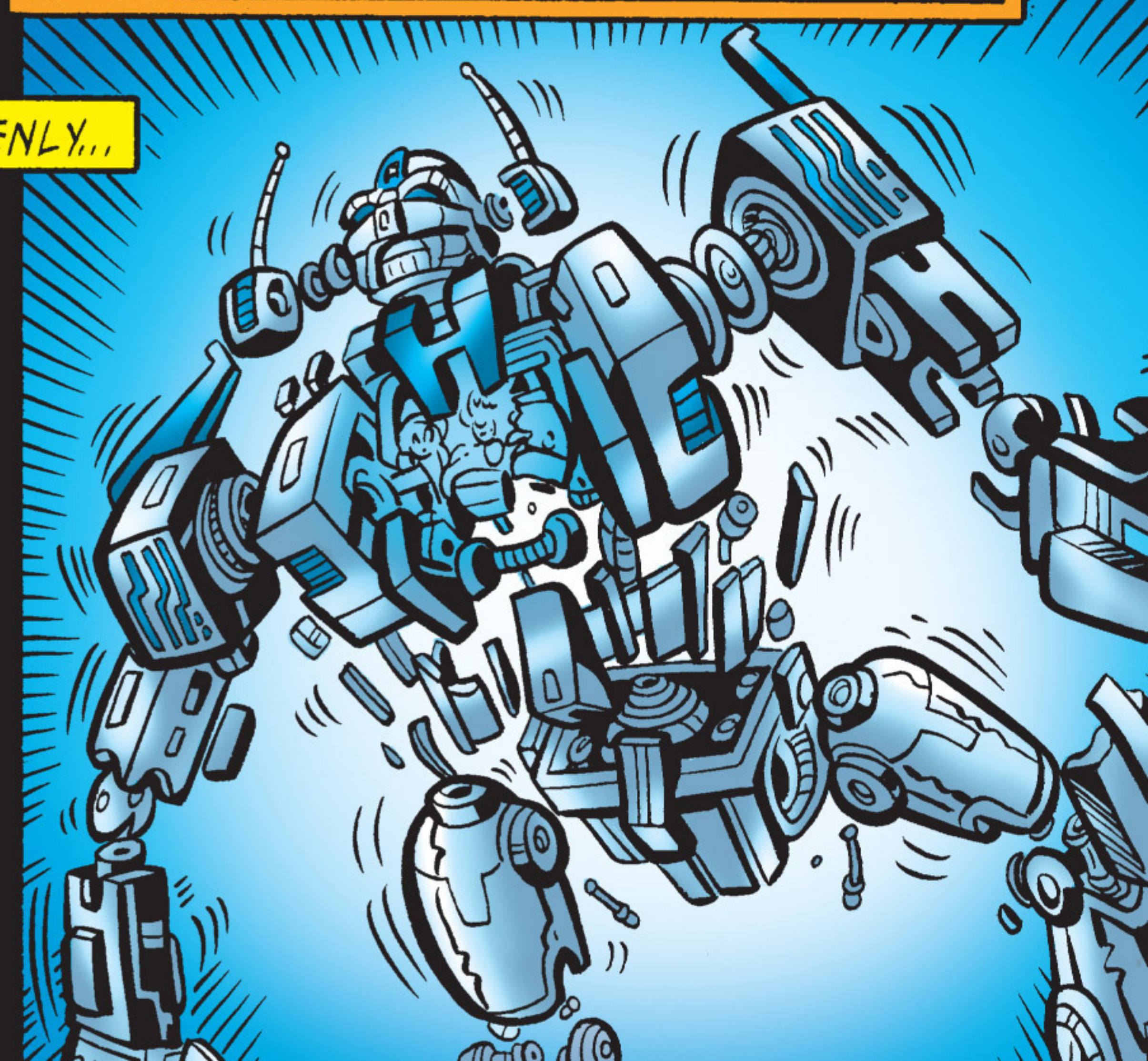
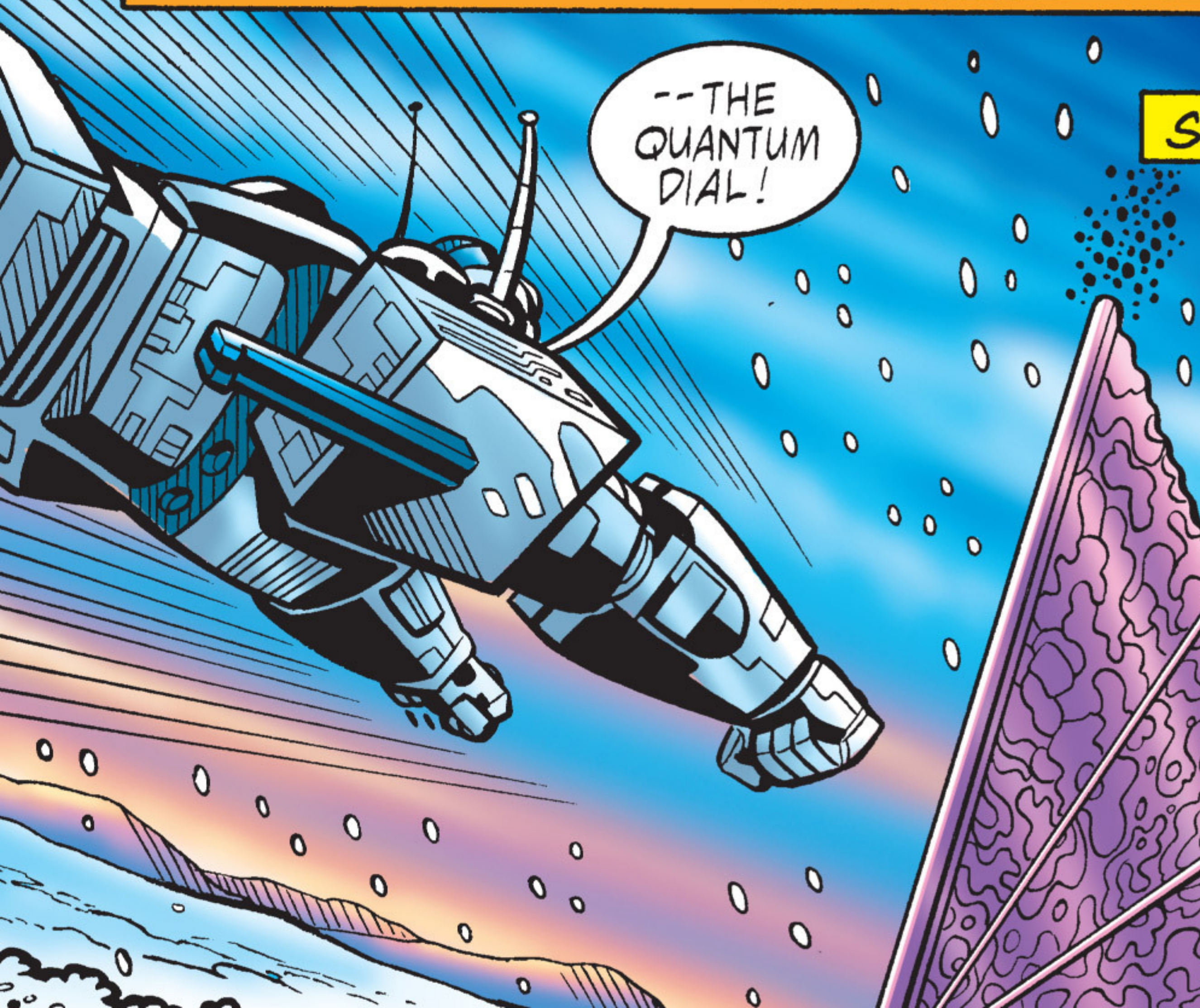


SONIC, UP  
AHEAD!

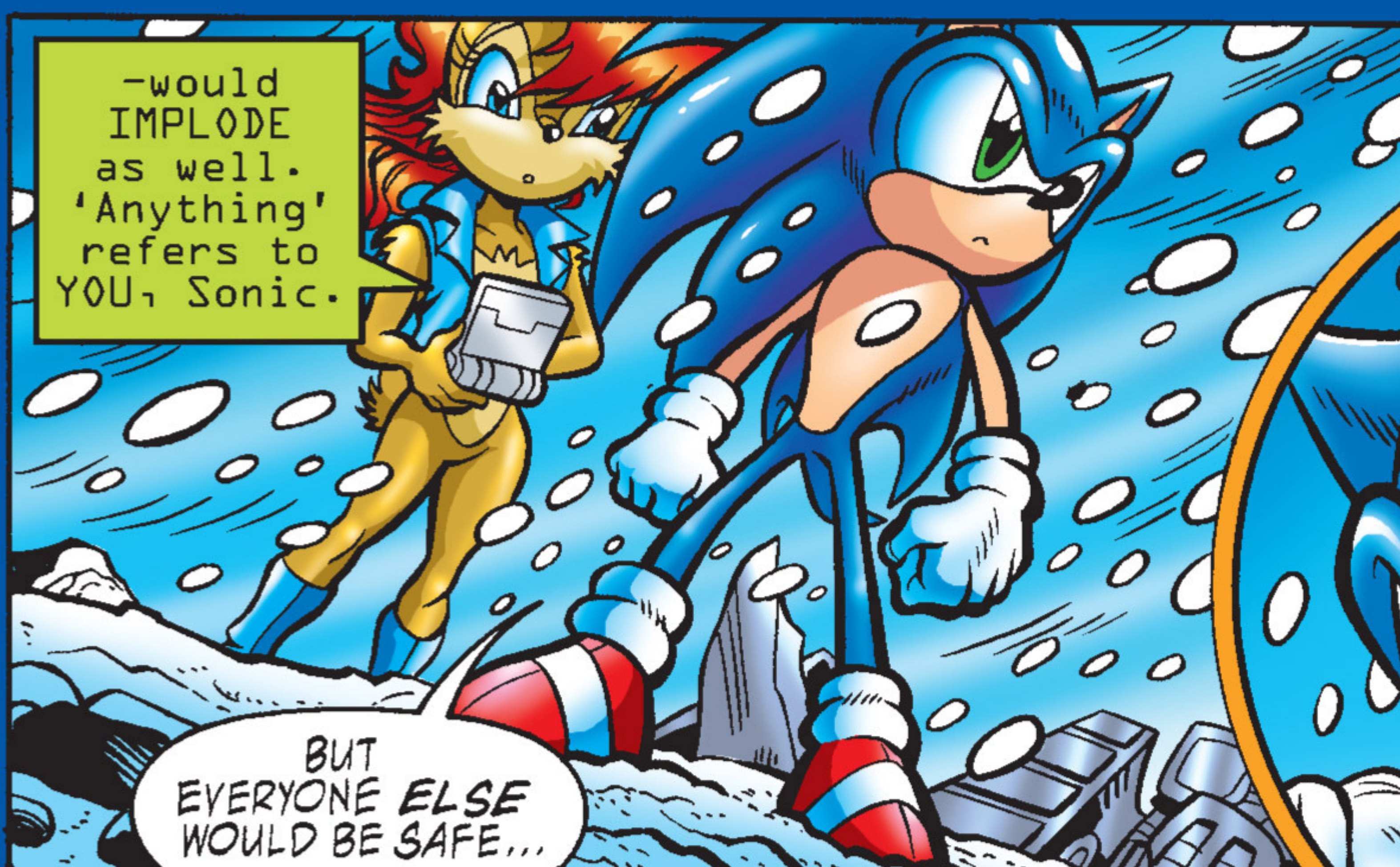
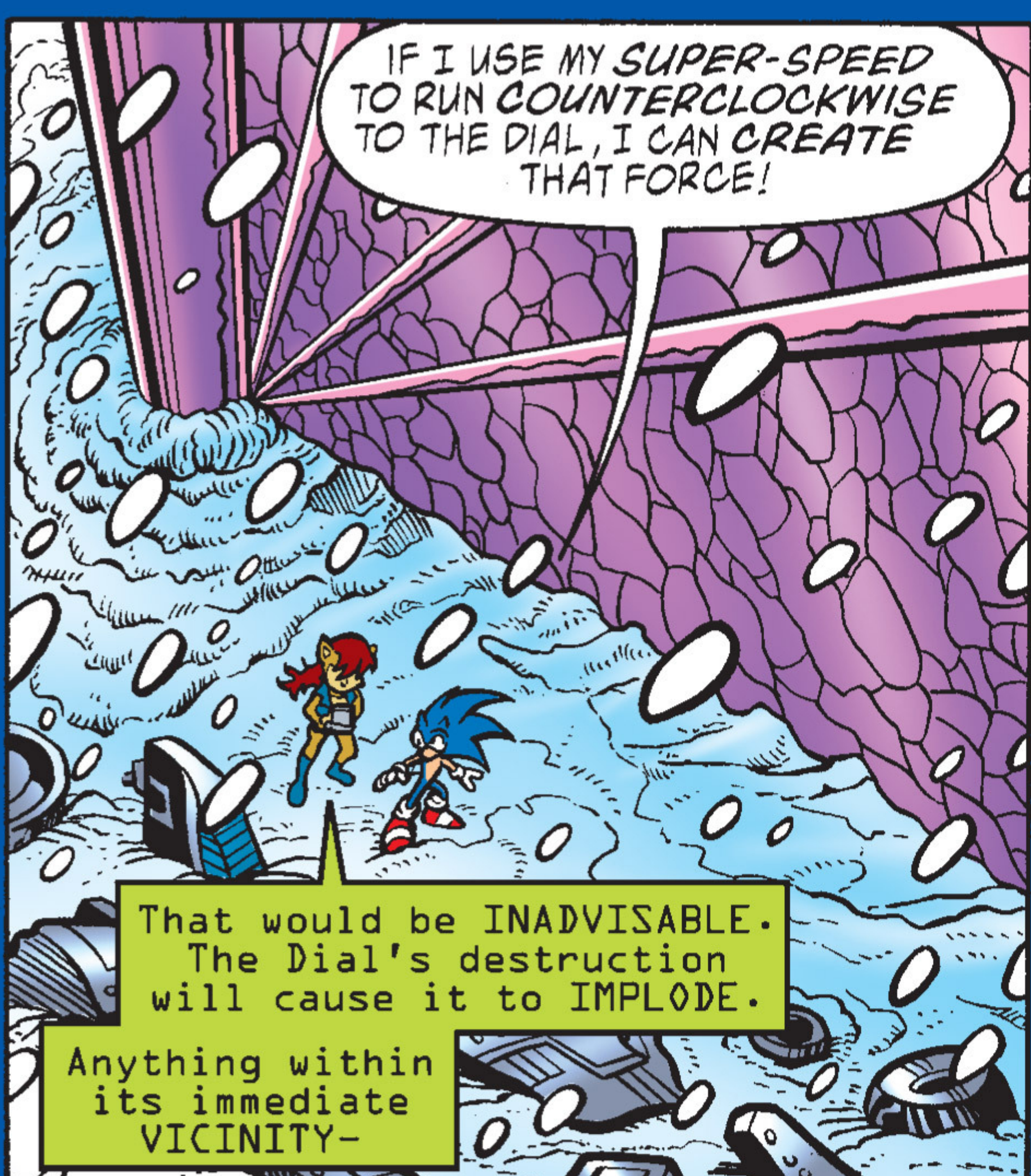
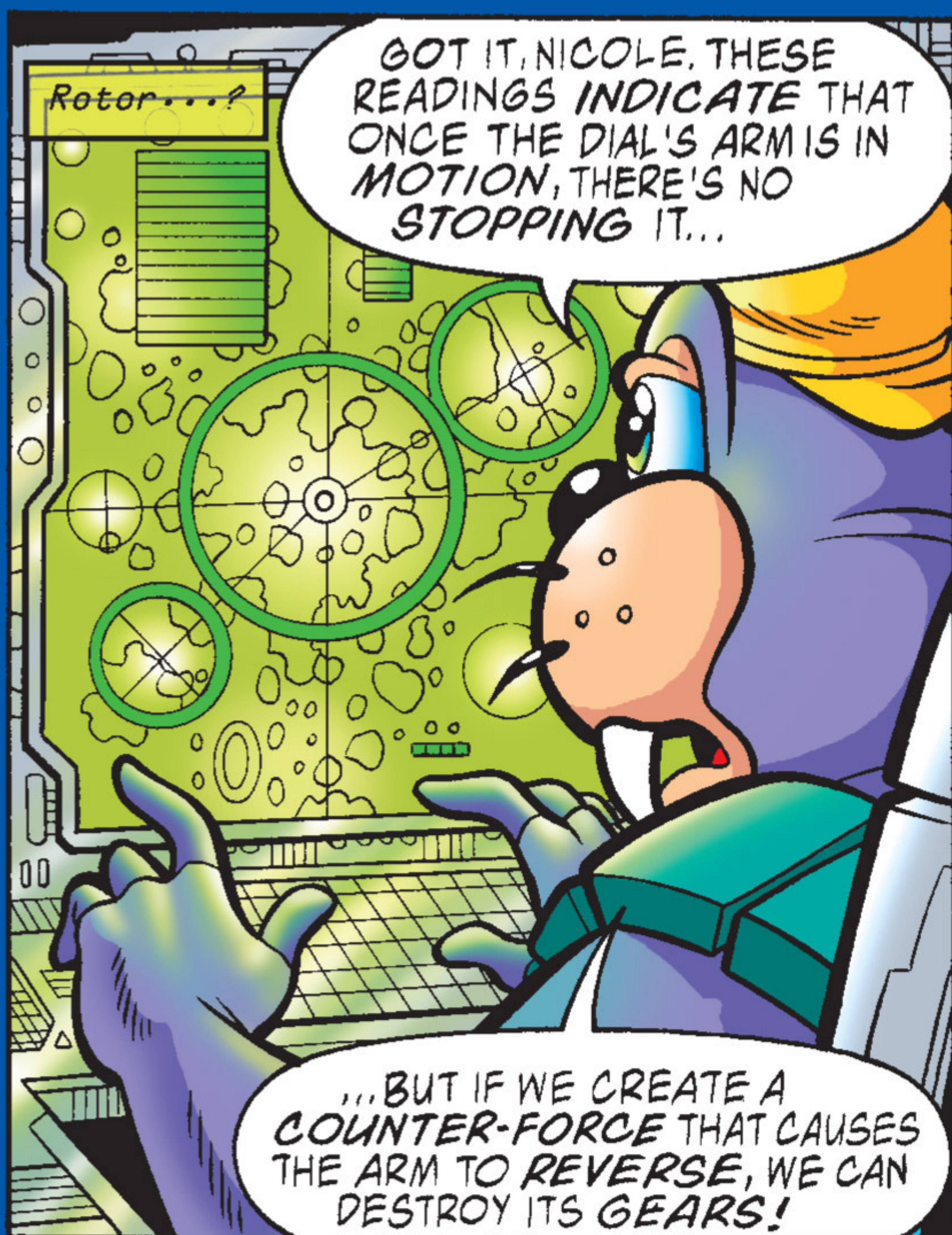
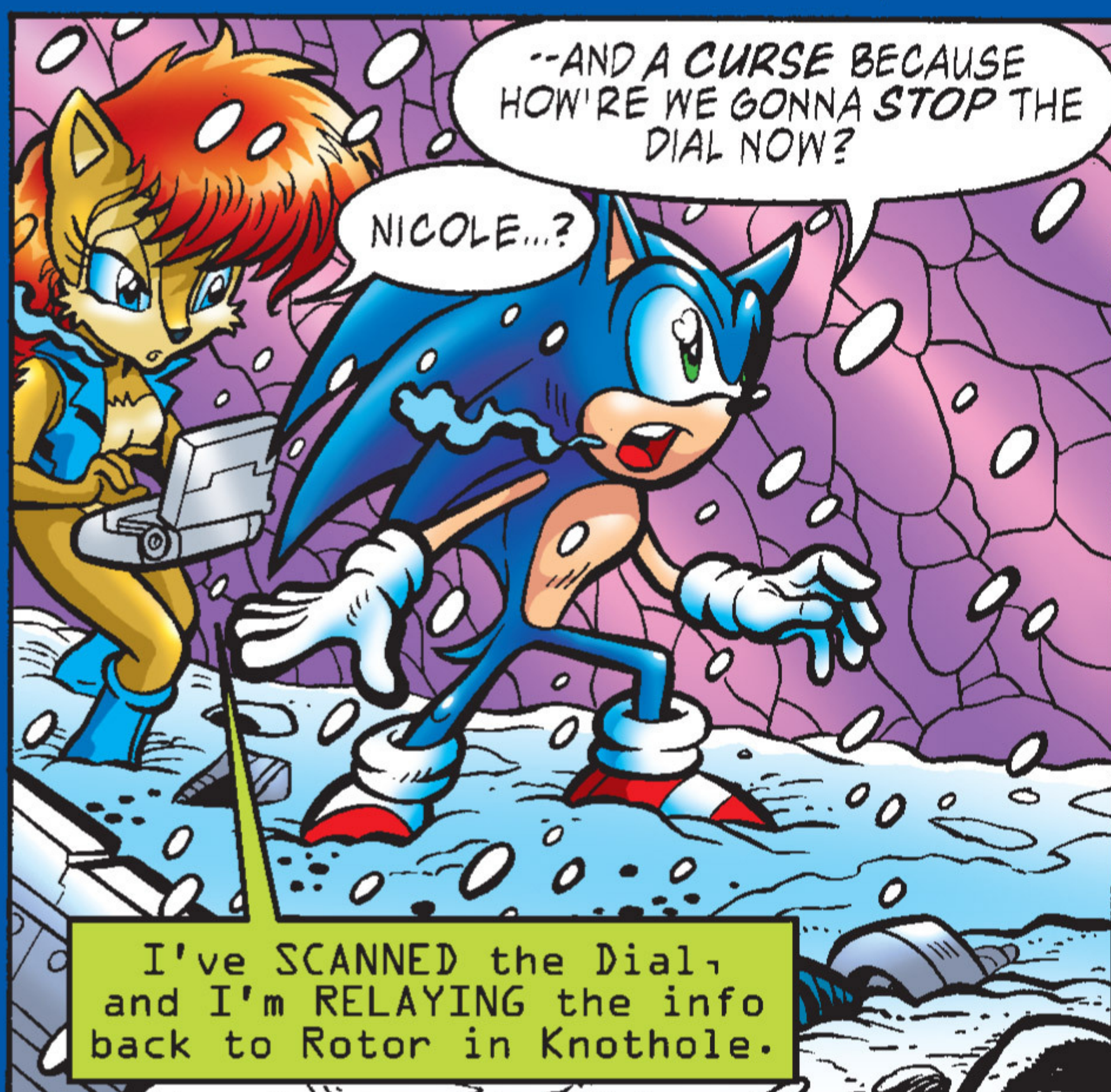
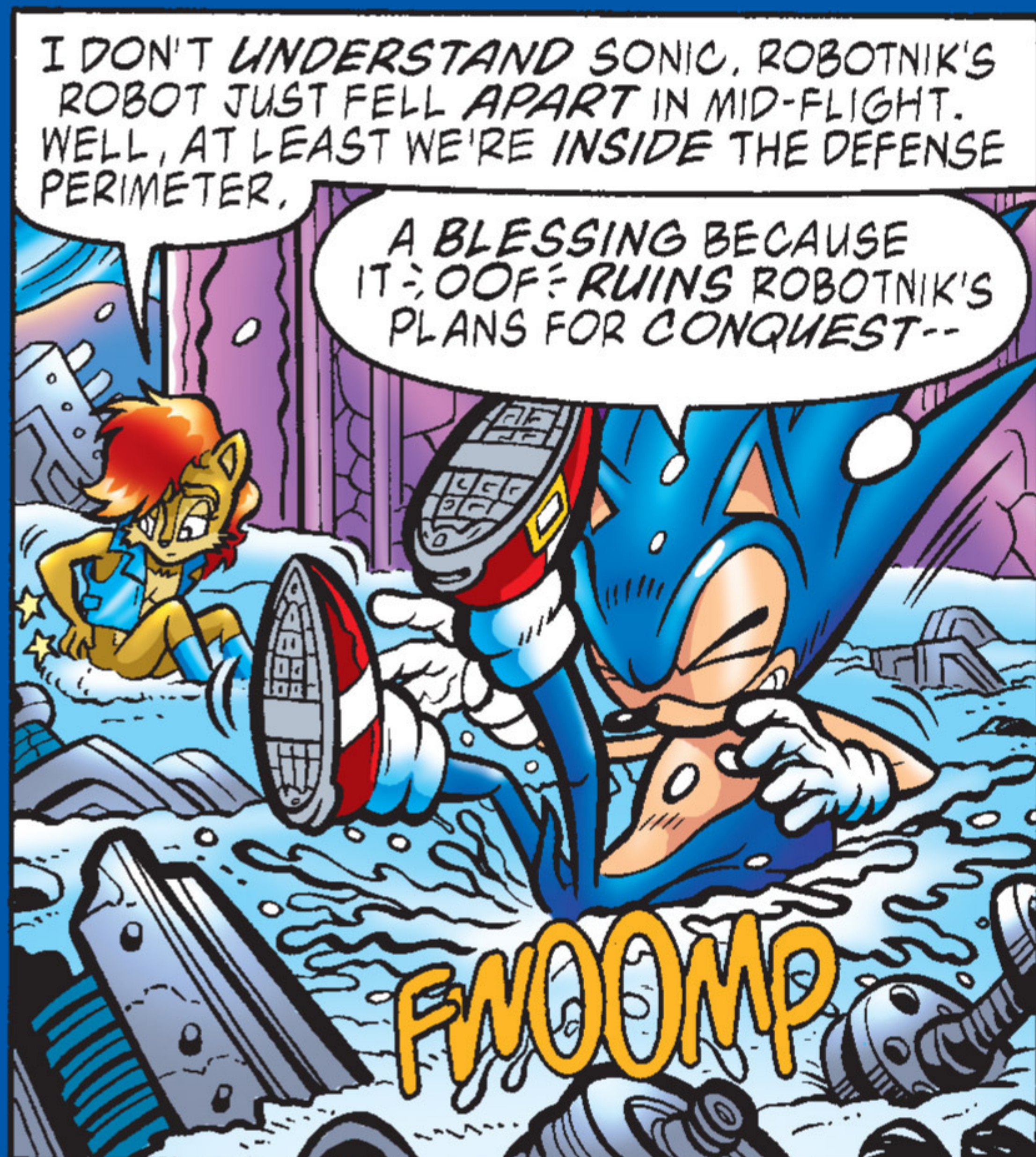
I SEE IT,  
SAL--

--THE  
QUANTUM  
DIAL!

SUDDENLY...









Perhaps, but we'll have to DEBATE that later--

--right now, my SENSORS are detecting a strange energy BUILD-UP coming from INSIDE the Dial.

**DAWN BEST -PENCILS-  
THE RAYS -INKS-**

WHAT IS IT?

A BACK-UP defense system to prevent DAMAGE from organic ASSAILANTS--

--a destructive QUANTUM WAVE burst that will INCINERATE anything within a hundred-mile RADIUS.

JEEZ! TALK ABOUT OVERKILL! HOW MUCH TIME DO WE HAVE BEFORE THE WAVE HITS?

Three point FIVE seconds...

TOO LATE.

HERE IT COMES! SAL, I LOVE--

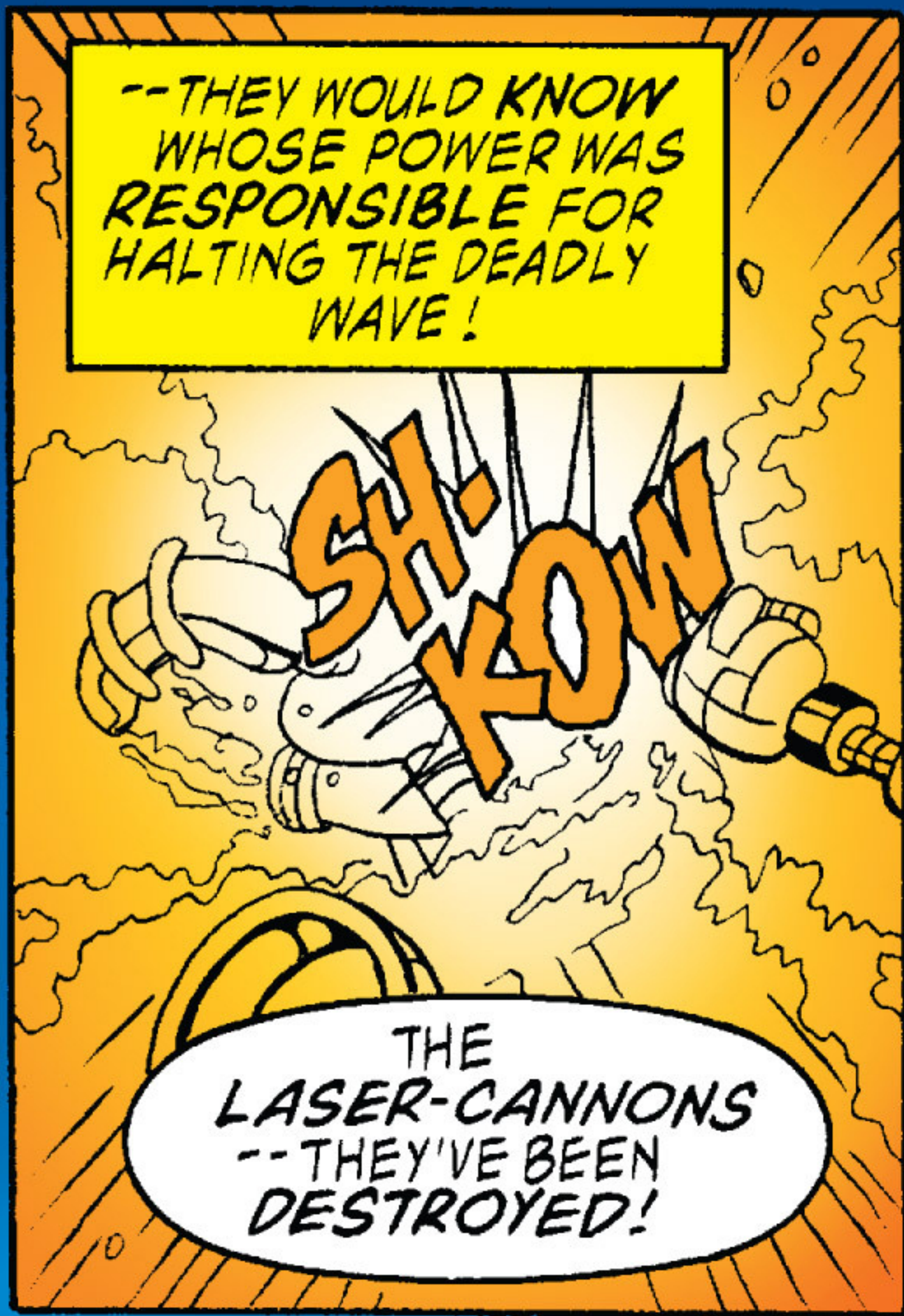
HEY!

NOTHING HAPPENED!

WE'RE STILL ALIVE! BUT HOW?

WERE THE INTREPID COUPLE OUTSIDE THE DIAL'S DEFENSE PERIMETER--



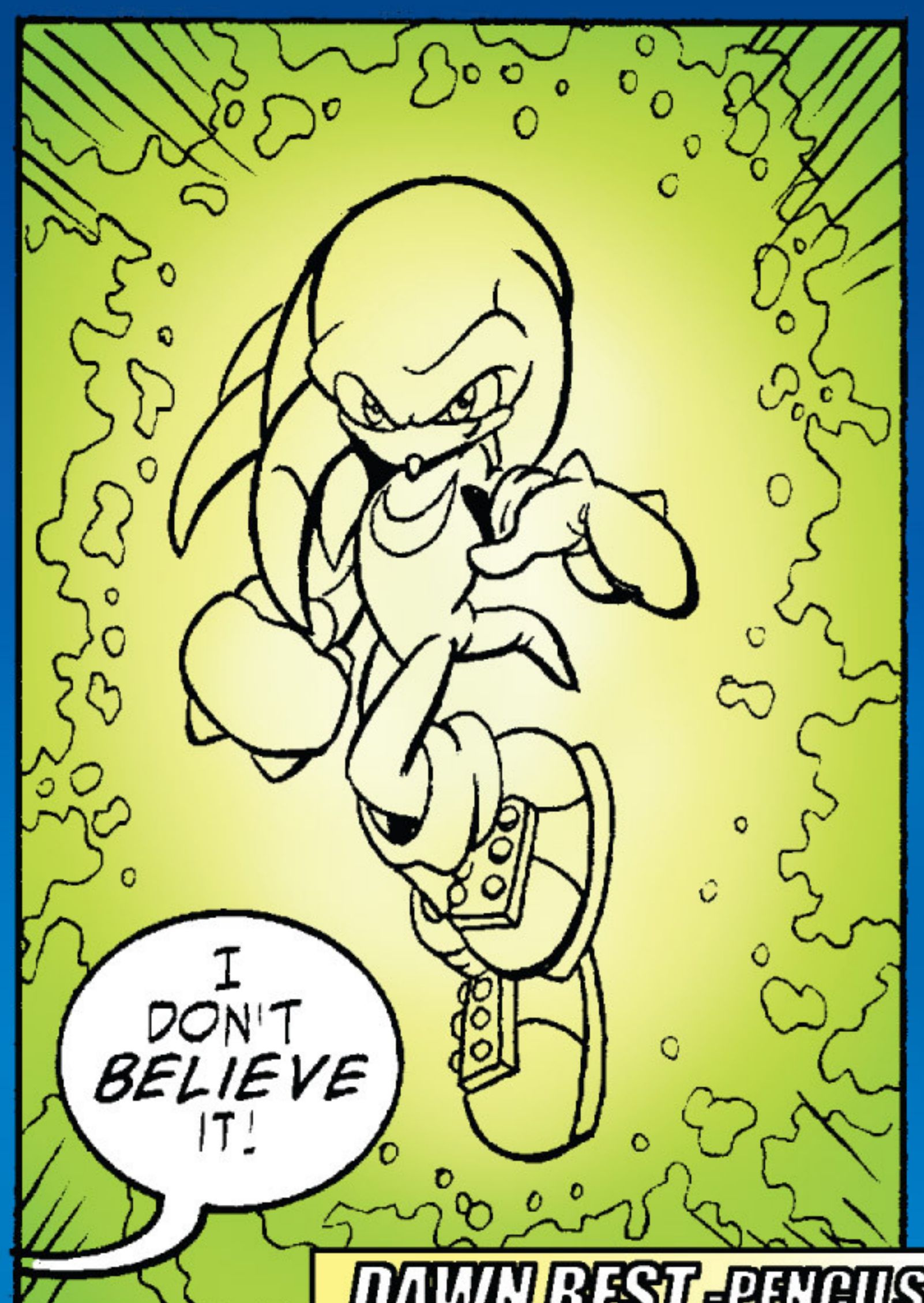


--THEY WOULD KNOW  
WHOSE POWER WAS  
RESPONSIBLE FOR  
HALTING THE DEADLY  
WAVE!

THE  
LASER-CANNONS  
--THEY'VE BEEN  
DESTROYED!

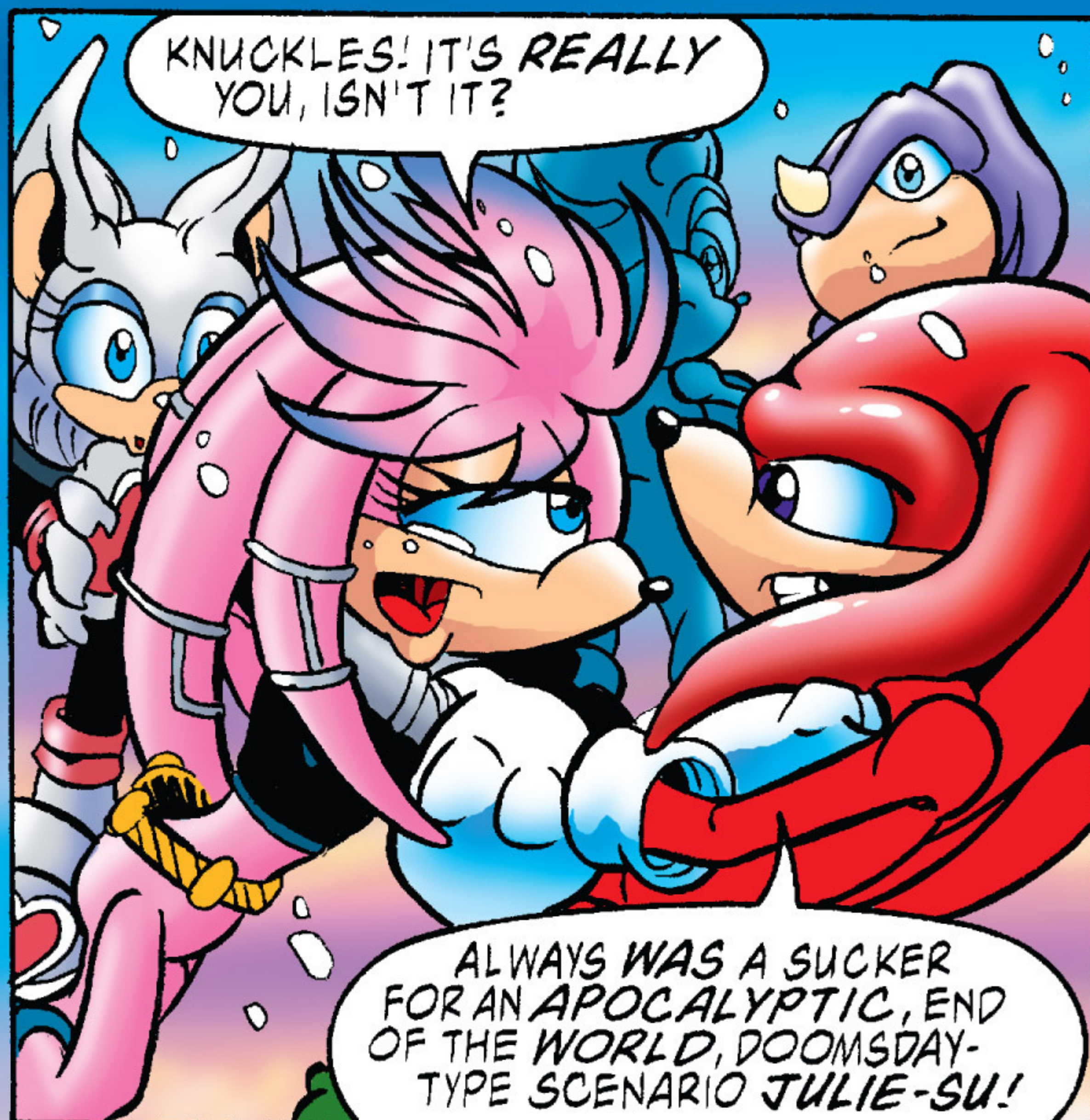


THE GREEN  
LIGHT--ALL UP IN MY  
FACE! WHAT IS  
IT?



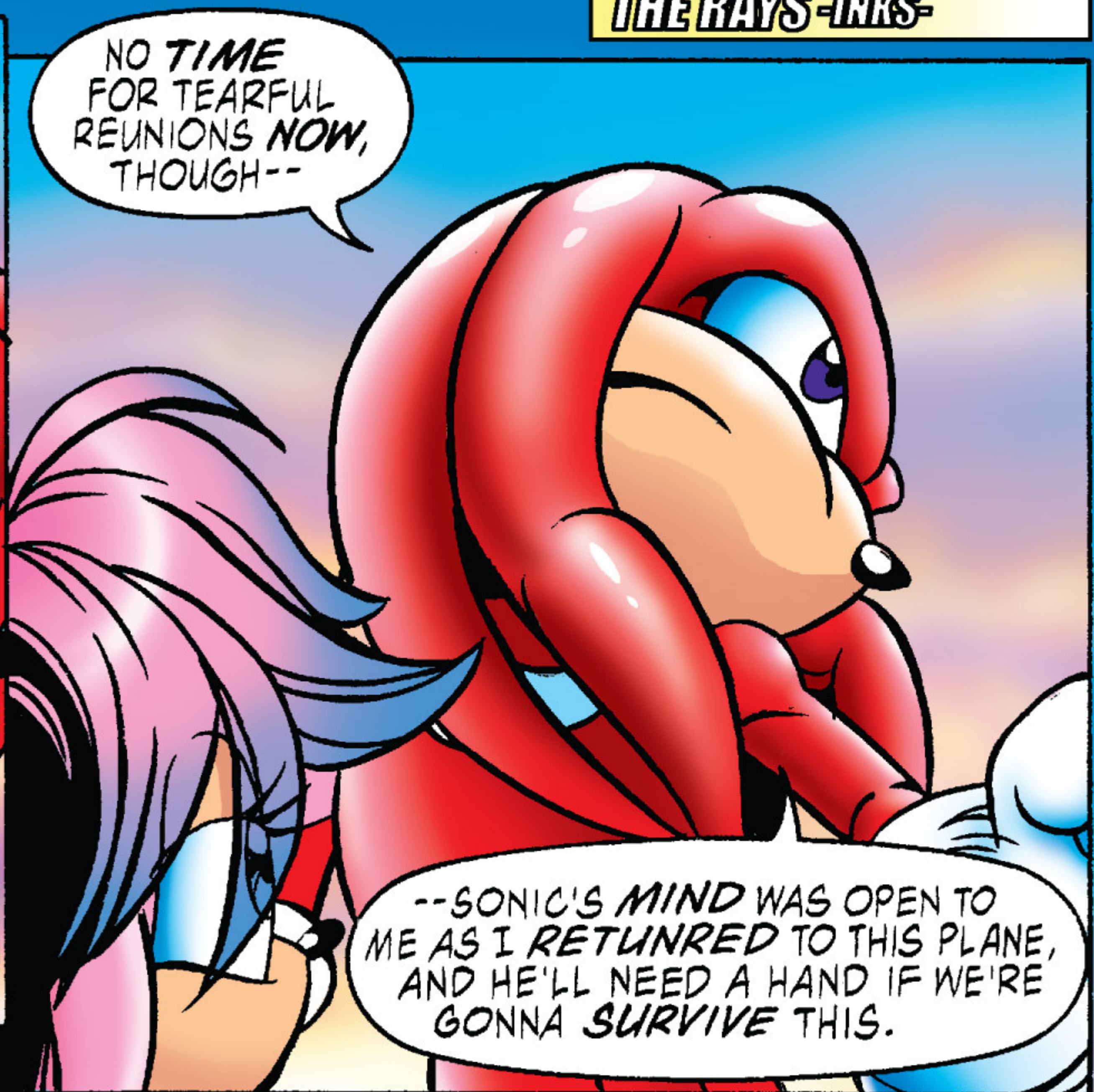
I  
DON'T  
BELIEVE  
IT!

DAWN BEST-PENCILS-  
THE RAYS-INKS-



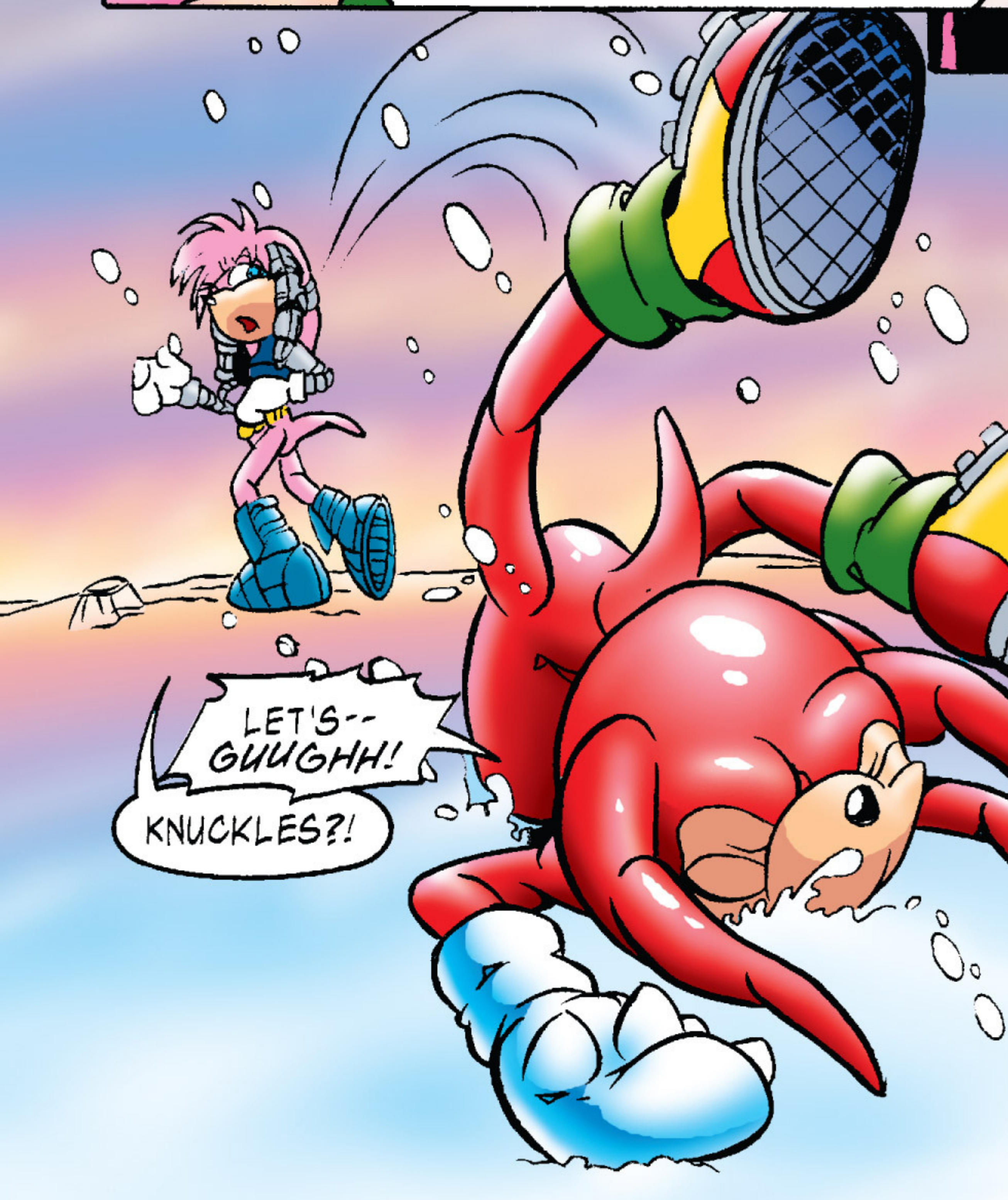
KNUCKLES! IT'S REALLY  
YOU, ISN'T IT?

ALWAYS WAS A SUCKER  
FOR AN APOCALYPTIC, END  
OF THE WORLD, DOOMSDAY-  
TYPE SCENARIO JULIE-SU!



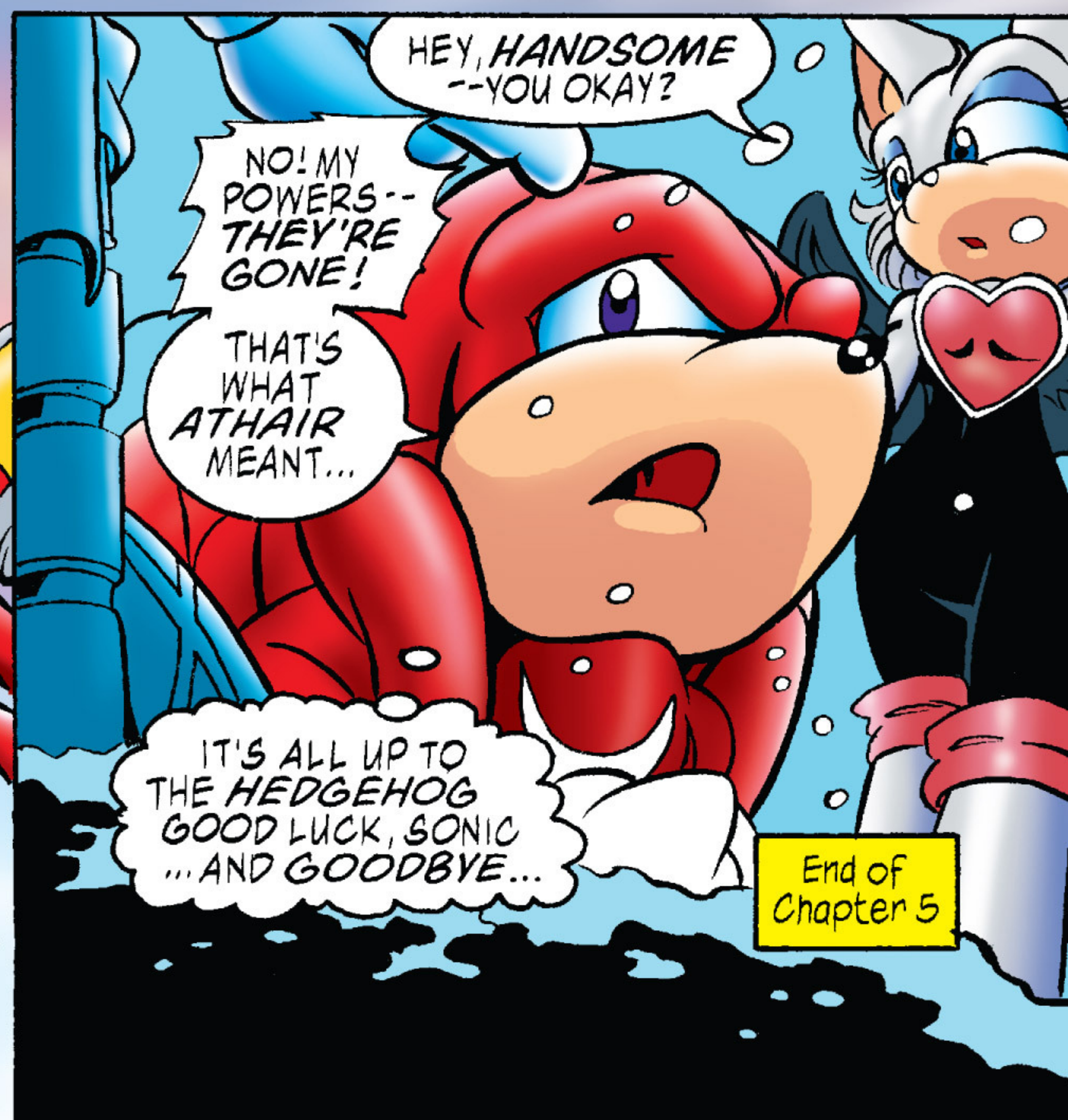
NO TIME  
FOR TEARFUL  
REUNIONS NOW,  
THOUGH--

--SONIC'S MIND WAS OPEN TO  
ME AS I RETURNED TO THIS PLANE,  
AND HE'LL NEED A HAND IF WE'RE  
GONNA SURVIVE THIS.



LET'S--  
GUUGH!

KNUCKLES?!



HEY, HANDSOME  
--YOU OKAY?

NO! MY  
POWERS--  
THEY'RE  
GONE!

THAT'S  
WHAT  
ATHAIR  
MEANT...

IT'S ALL UP TO  
THE HEDGEHOG  
GOOD LUCK, SONIC  
...AND GOODBYE...

End of  
Chapter 5



# SONIC 2.5: $\Omega$ MEGA

ADVENTURE THE END J. AXER CONOR  
- PENCILS - TOMAS  
- INKS -

THE  
QUANTUM WAVE  
HAS DISSIPATED,  
SONIC!

BUT THE DIAL IS  
**STILL** ACTIVE, SAL!  
I HAVE TO GO THROUGH  
WITH MY PLAN.

SWEETIE,  
YOU **CAN'T!** YOU  
HEARD WHAT  
NICOLE SAID,  
YOU'LL **DIE!**

I KNOW, BUT  
IF I **DON'T...**

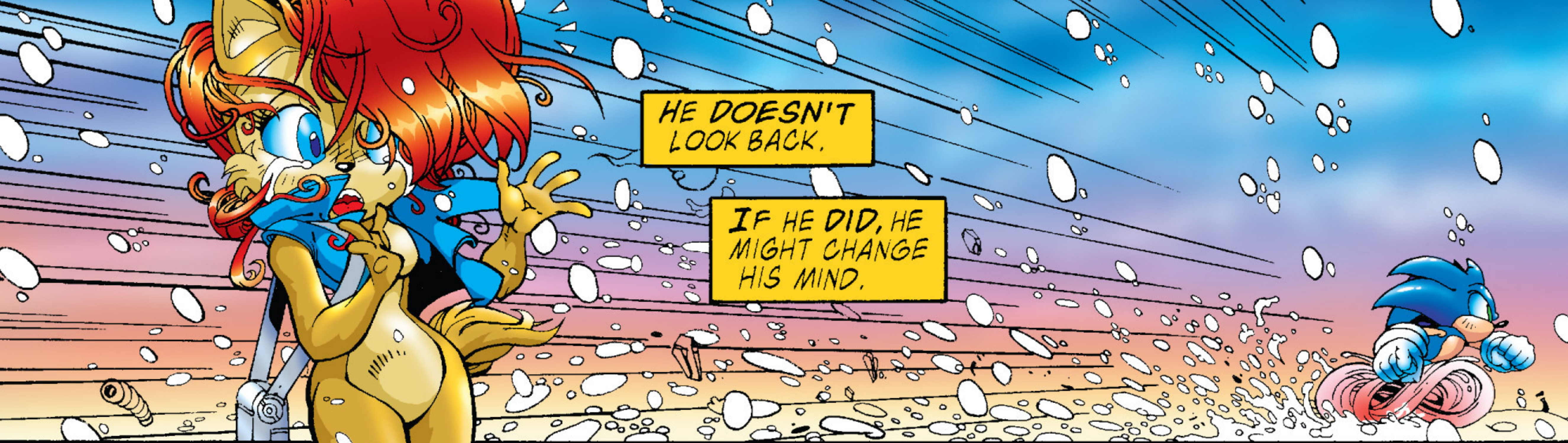
...WE'LL  
ALL DIE,  
DARLIN'!

WHY DID  
WE WASTE SO  
MUCH TIME BEFORE  
ADMITTING WHAT WE  
ALWAYS **KNEW**  
DEEP DOWN  
INSIDE?

I LOVE  
YOU, SONIC THE  
HEDGEHOG!

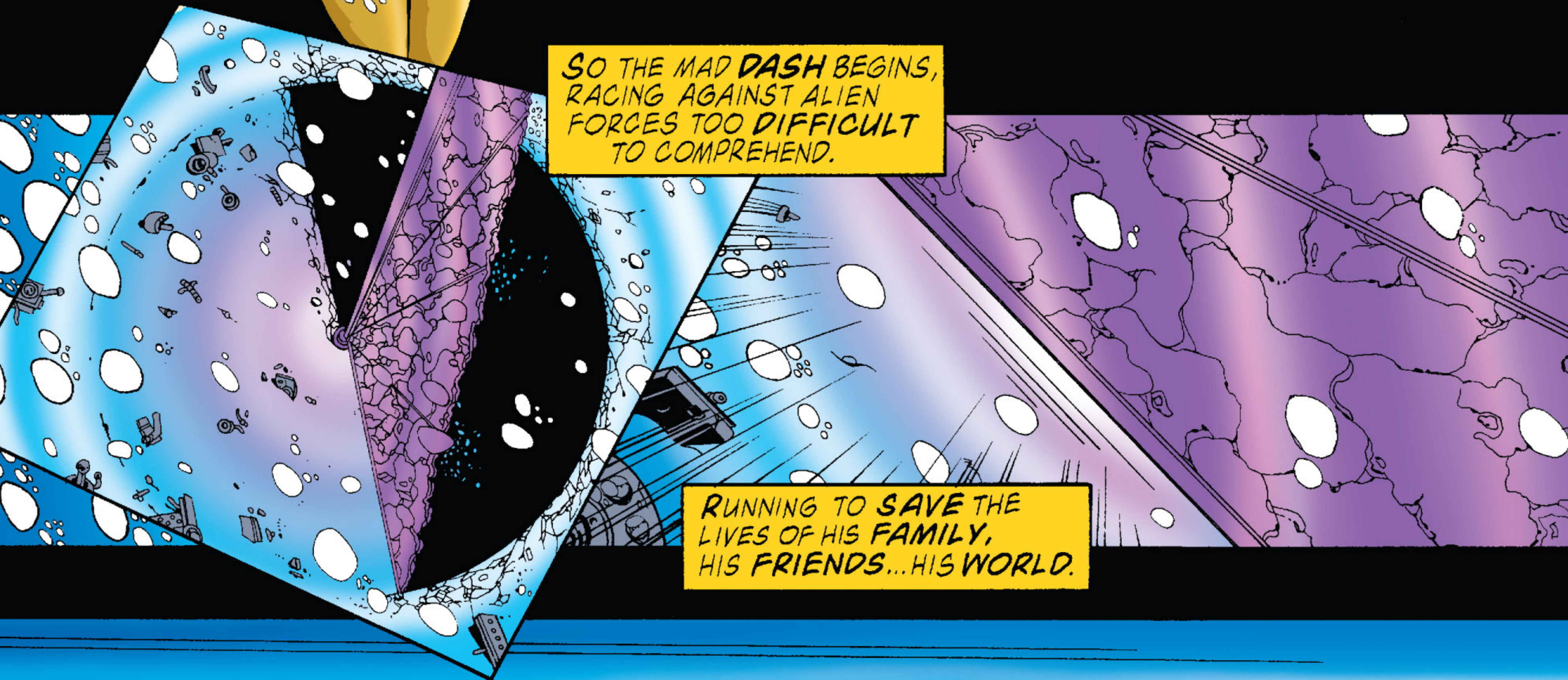
AND I  
LOVE YOU,  
SALLY  
ACORN!  
ALWAYS  
HAVE, ALWAYS  
WILL...





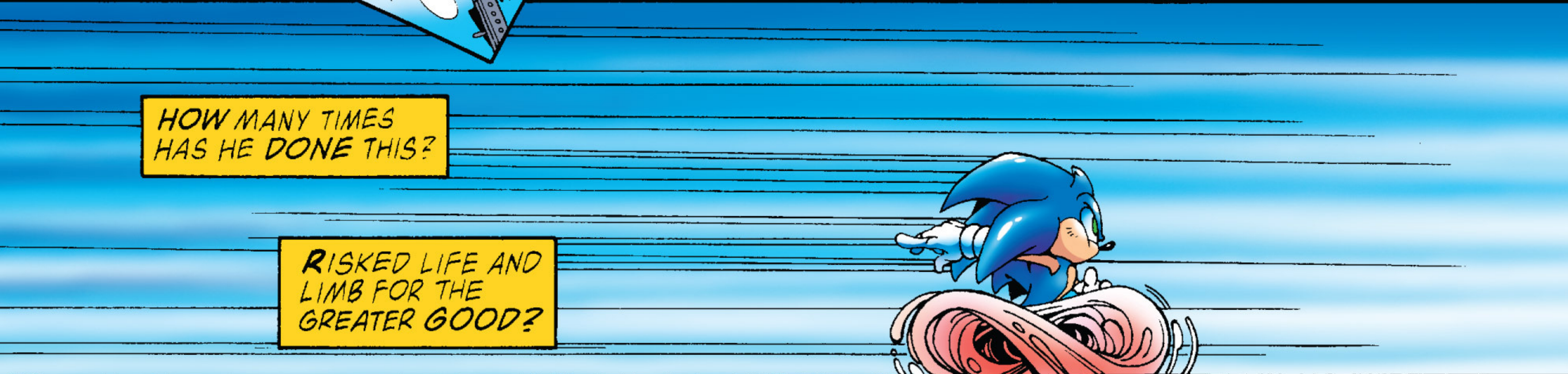
HE DOESN'T  
LOOK BACK.

IF HE DID, HE  
MIGHT CHANGE  
HIS MIND.



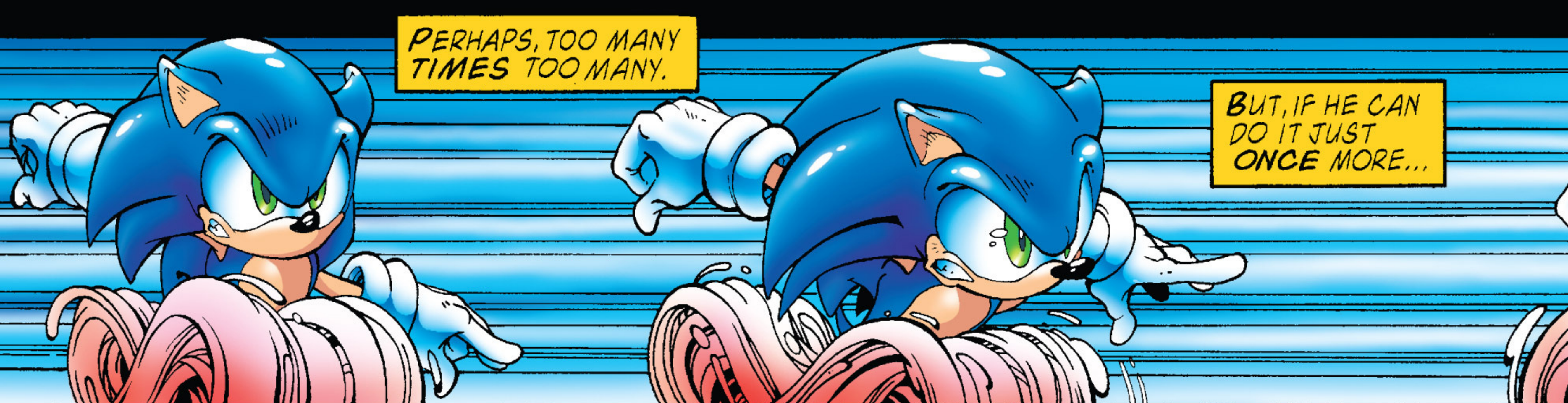
SO THE MAD **DASH** BEGINS,  
RACING AGAINST ALIEN  
FORCES TOO DIFFICULT  
TO COMPREHEND.

RUNNING TO SAVE THE  
LIVES OF HIS FAMILY,  
HIS FRIENDS...HIS WORLD.



HOW MANY TIMES  
HAS HE DONE THIS?

RISKED LIFE AND  
LIMB FOR THE  
GREATER GOOD?



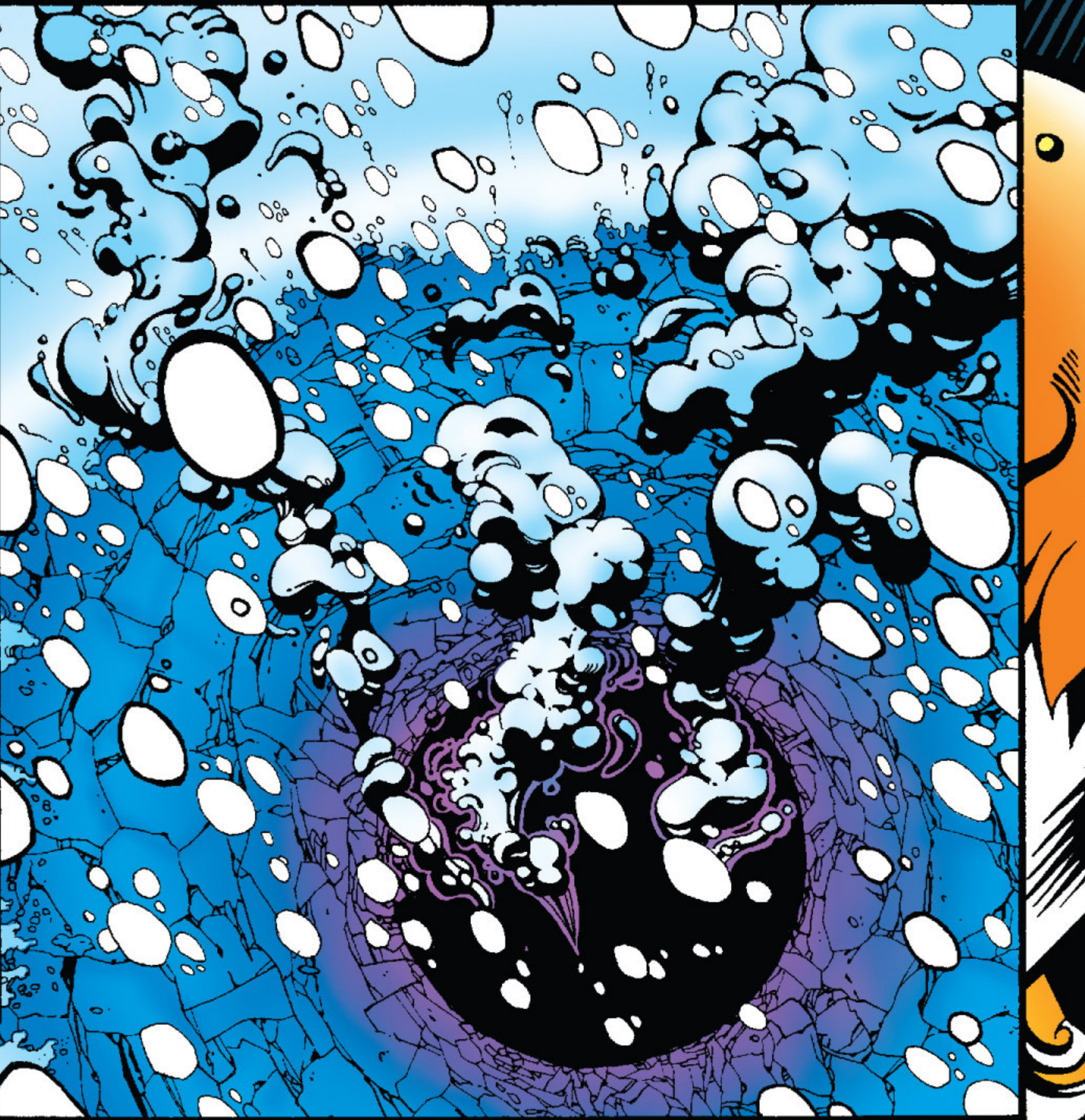
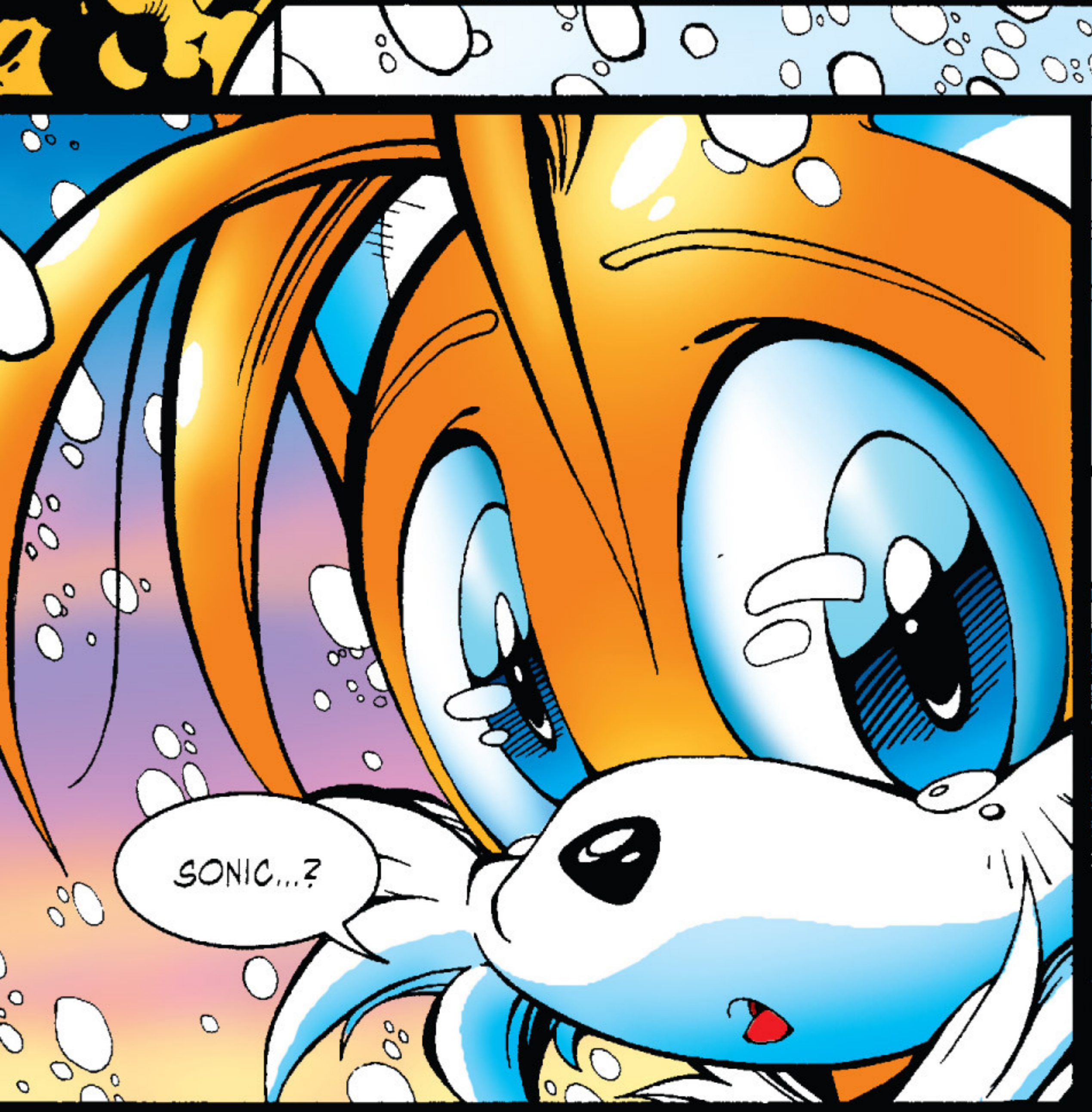
PERHAPS, TOO MANY  
TIMES TOO MANY.

BUT, IF HE CAN  
DO IT JUST  
ONCE MORE...

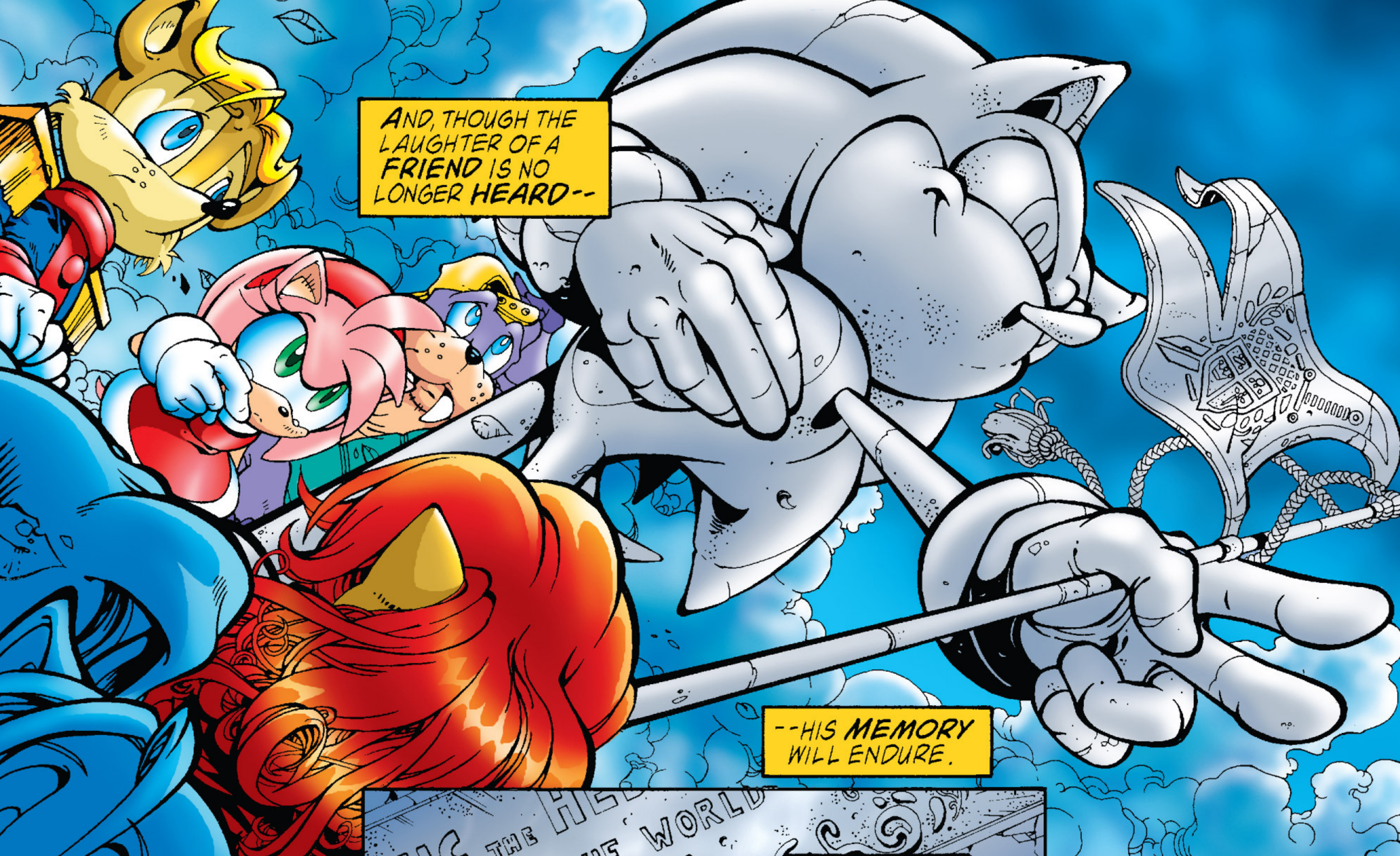


...IT WILL HAVE  
ALL BEEN  
WORTH IT!









AND, THOUGH THE  
LAUGHTER OF A  
FRIEND IS NO  
LONGER HEARD--

--HIS MEMORY  
WILL ENDURE.

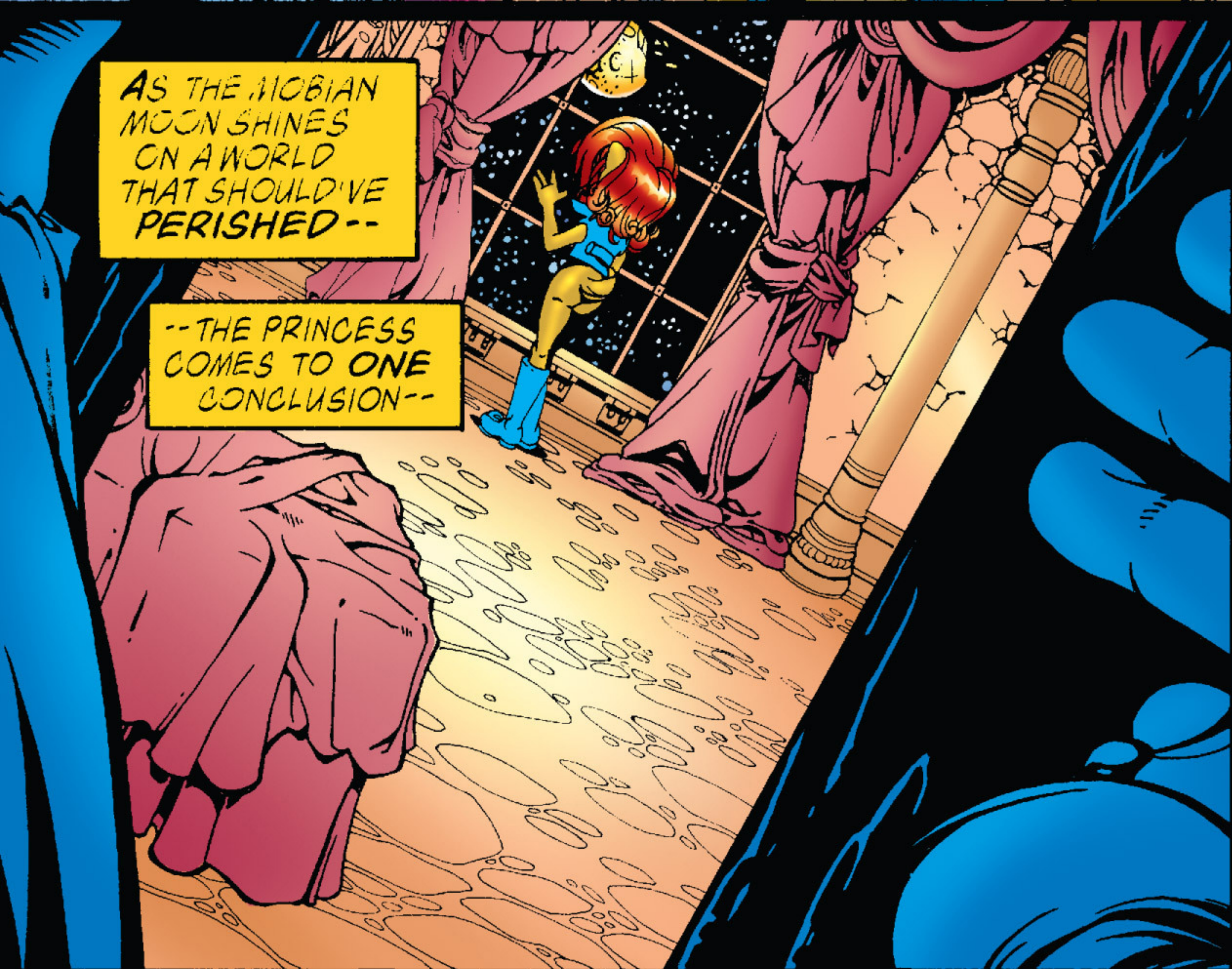
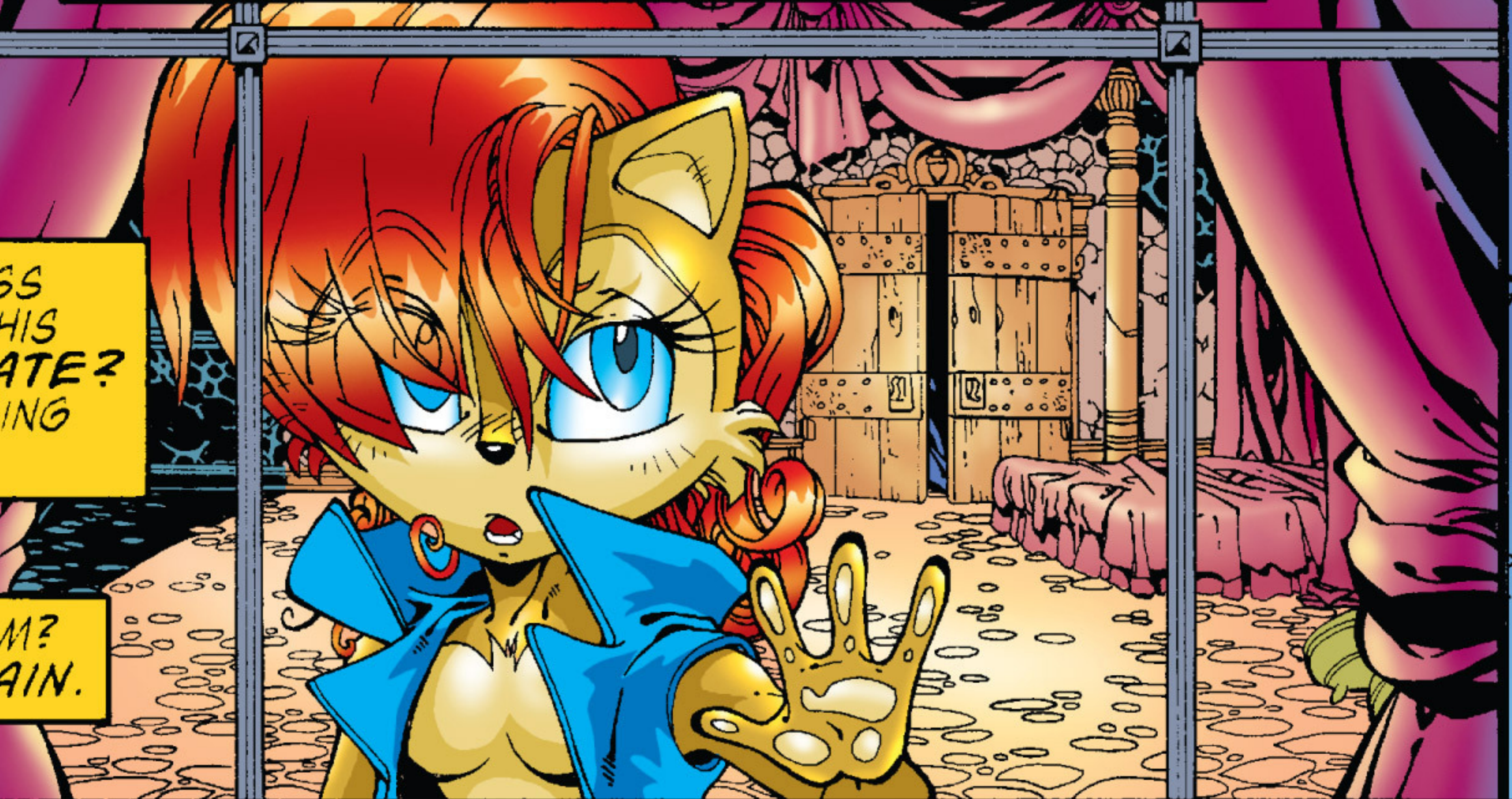
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG  
SAVED THE WORLD  
(A LOT!)

HIS SPIRIT  
LIVES ON.

THE DAYS WILL  
BE LONG, THE  
NIGHTS LONGER  
BY FAR.

CAN THE PRINCESS  
EVER ACCEPT THIS  
IRREVERSIBLE FATE?  
THIS OVERWHELMING  
SADNESS?

CAN ANY OF THEM?  
SHE'S UNCERTAIN.



AS THE MOBIAN  
MOON SHINES  
ON A WORLD  
THAT SHOULD'VE  
PERISHED--

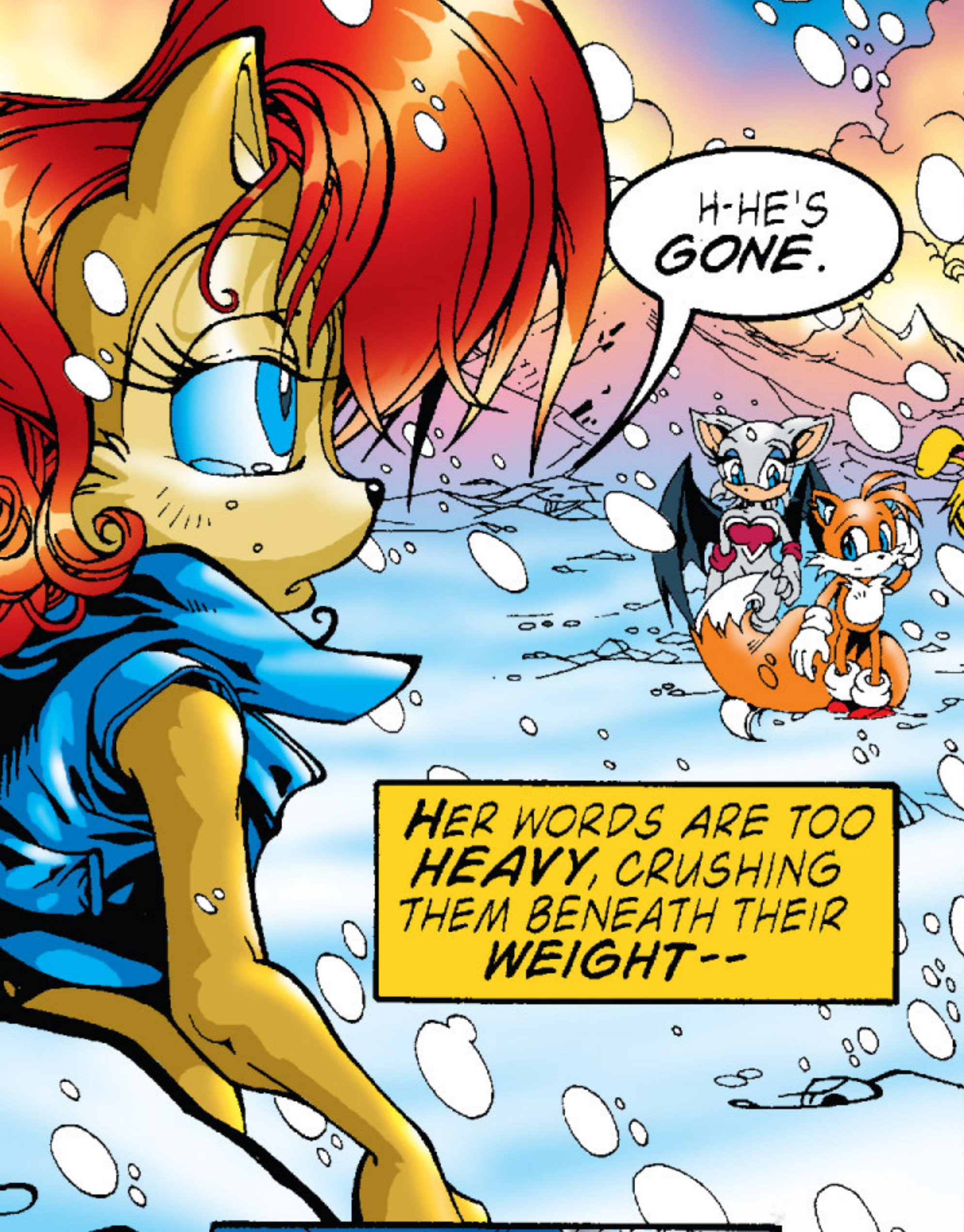
--THE PRINCESS  
COMES TO ONE  
CONCLUSION--

--LIFE IS WAY  
TOO SHORT.



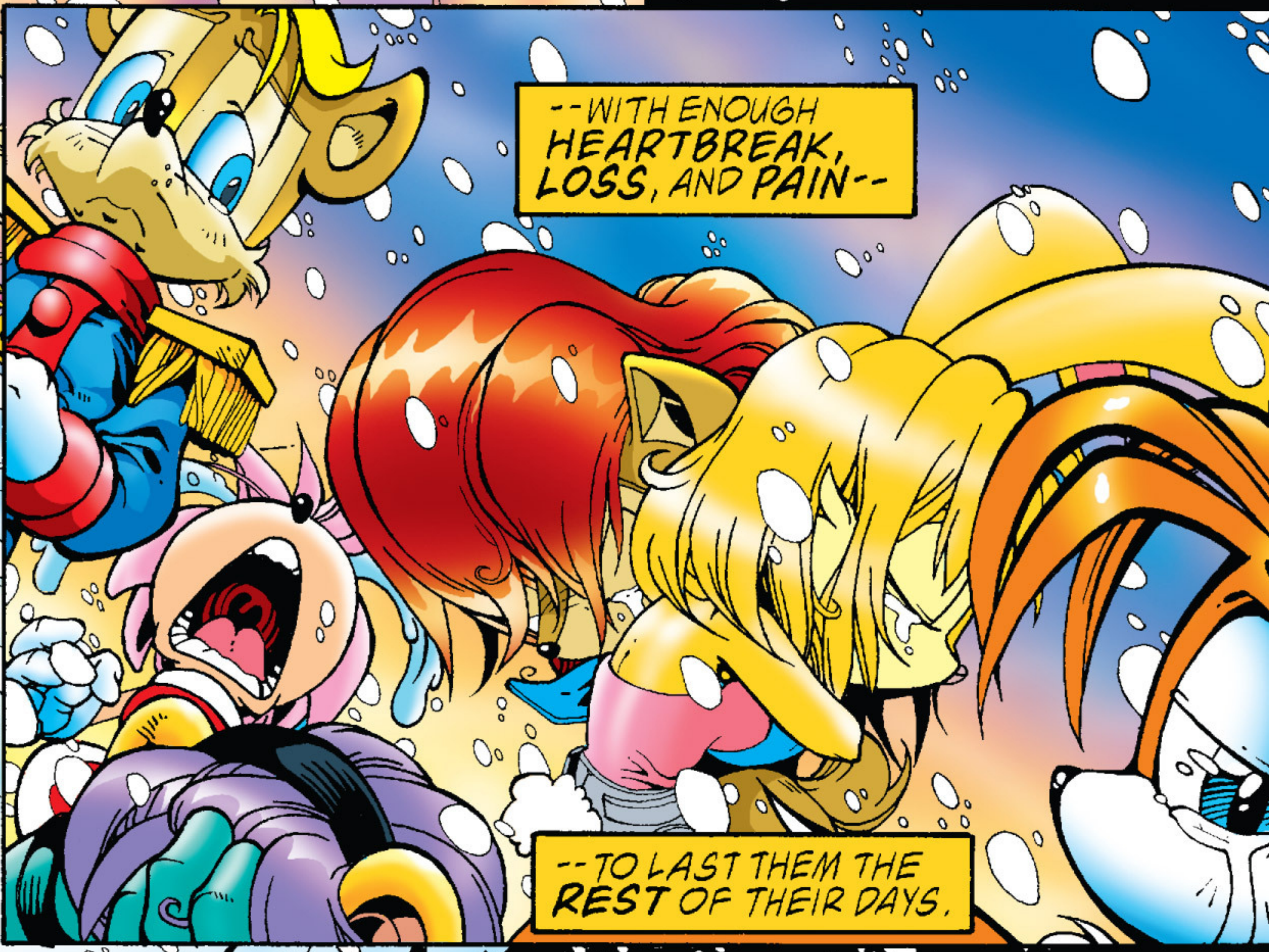
AND, INDEED  
TOO FAST.





H-HE'S GONE.

HER WORDS ARE TOO HEAVY, CRUSHING THEM BENEATH THEIR WEIGHT--



--WITH ENOUGH HEARTBREAK, LOSS, AND PAIN--

--TO LAST THEM THE REST OF THEIR DAYS.



A WORLD IS ONCE MORE SAFE--

--BUT A CHAMPION HAS FALLEN.

WHAT PRICE, VICTORY?



HO! HO! HO! HO! HO!



# EPILOGUE

849,000 LIGHT YEARS  
AWAY...

SHOOM

TO BE  
CONTINUED!





# Greetings and salutations, Sonic fans!

My name is Justin Gabrie and I welcome you to the 10th Anniversary issue of the Sonic The Hedgehog comic. The last ten years have been one wild ride for the Blue Blur in his comic book form. We hope the next ten years will be even more exciting, so keep reading as Sonic's wildest adventures have yet to be chronicled. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the fans that have been supporting this book all these years. In the end, we could not have done it without you. I'd like also like to thank the writers and artists that have brought these stories to life month after month for the last decade, as well as our publishers Michael Silberkleit and Richard Goldwater, Managing Editor Victor Gorelick and the staff at Archie Comics. I would also thank the staff at SEGA, specifically their Licensing reps Robert Leffler and Takuma Hatori for their constant assistance. Above all, I wish to thank, none other than the creators of every single Sonic game ever made, Yuji Naka and his Sonic Team. Without them, the character this comic is based on would simply not exist. Arigato, Naka-san. Now, I am honored to present a special message from him, so without further ado... **YUJI NAKA!**



From Sonic's birth back in 1991, Sonic has appeared in many forms across many different media. While Sonic originated on a home console, he quickly made his way to the arcades, and was soon transformed into a toy line, TV cartoon, and even a comic series. Perhaps the largest reason why Sonic has made it this far and has enjoyed so much success is because his fans have showed continual love and support through the years. And for this, we are grateful.

When "Sonic The Hedgehog" was born on the Genesis, we went through what seemed like an endless period of trial and error, trying to find the perfect new action hero; something that nobody had ever seen before. The game itself was a high-speed adventure that allowed players to experience a sensation never before felt, married with gameplay simple enough so that anyone could play. The final element to the game was the hero: a hero that represented righteousness and freedom yet exuded a sense of "cool." And while Sonic was a character that was vastly different from the norm at the time, people around the world accepted him. And at that moment, we knew that this new stance of challenging the accepted norm was absolutely appropriate for Sonic himself as a character... Perhaps one could say that this new stance changed Sonic's very destiny.

And now, 12 years have passed since those humble beginnings, and we are standing on the brink of what we would like to celebrate as a "Sonic Year." It is a year in which we would like to express our thanks to our fans that have supported us all these long years, as well as a chance to introduce Sonic to our future fans.

To that purpose, we decided to release "Sonic Mega Collection" and "Sonic Adventure DX" for the Nintendo GameCube. We wanted people who have yet to experience the rich history of the Sonic series to be able to understand the heritage, and keep the history alive and untarnished. In addition, we have brought to the market a cellular phone game, as well as "Sonic Advance 2" for the GameBoy Advance. In fact, we are currently considering our options for bringing Sonic to Nokia's N-Gage. Furthermore, we plan to take Sonic's evolution to the next level with the next Sonic action game that is currently in development.

Beyond our games, we are planning to bring Sonic to a greater audience, primarily to the children of the world, through a program that we have not done in over 7 years: a McDonald's Happy Meal promotion, starting this summer. In addition, the new TV animation series, "Sonic X," debuted this past spring in Japan. Of course we would love all of the children of the world to enjoy the series, so we are currently planning a worldwide release as well.

Across borders and across generations, we will continue our oath of creating characters that will be loved through the years. Sonic will continue running, with us at his side, for many years to come.

Yuji Naka

President & CEO, SONICTEAM, LTD

